



Fee Increases Anger Citizens

Council Urged to Delay Budget Approval

By Isabelle Hall

Despite pressure to delay from angry citizens and some of its own members, the City Council scheduled a special session today to approve a \$7 million budget providing for a myriad of new fees for residents and businesses along with staff cuts and elimination of the Recreation Department.

Councilman Bob Fischer said he would move that budget approval be postponed at least a month. Councilman Phil Coniglio said, "We need a little more time. I've heard it's being pushed through because of vacations. If that's the reason, that's not a very good reason. We are heavily burdened this week. We need to wait a minute."

Mayor Ken White, who indicated he favors quick action on the proposed 1993-94 budget, said, "Carmel is just now waking up to really looking into new monies that other cities have been looking at for years to try to develop new sources of money. We've got a budget that's going to have maintenance and new equipment, and we are facing reality in this budget." He and Councilwoman Barbara Livingston were supportive of the budget in comments to the Sun.

Councilwoman Barbara Brooks said she was feeling pressured to make major decisions in a rush. Fischer said he planned to make a motion to "put it off for a minimum of 30 days. I want to revisit the proposed cuts in personnel, all of them. I see a lot of the Indians being cut, and that's not what I anticipated. I want to go through it slowly."

Fischer said people were stopping him on the street "perplexed" with the budget. "I've been swamped, and I'm glad of it."

"I don't feel we've done anything too hastily," said Livingston. White told the Sun earlier that the dates set for budget hearings were dictated because of the difficulty of arranging council members' schedules. White leaves on vacation for three weeks July 17. New City Administrator Jere Kersnar said he had scheduled a week off July 14-20 before he took the job two months ago, but that it could be postponed. No one else had travel plans.

"I have a lot of concerns myself that not many chiefs were cut," Coniglio said. "We trimmed off lower people, and killed the Rec Department again."

The budget has managed to anger a wide variety of interests ranging from supporters of the axed Recreation Department to those who don't want to see the

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Zoning Close, Karas and Davi Face Runoff

By Stan Hall

In races generally closer than predicted, voters sent Sam Farr to Congress Tuesday, set up a classic veteran-newcomer runoff for fifth district supervisor, turned down desalination and gave Carmel's commercial zoning ordinance a shaky win.

The outcome of Tuesday's special election at a glance:

- Farr, a Democratic assemblyman from Carmel, succeeded Budget Director Leon Panetta in the 17th Congressional district with a 53-43 percent margin over Republican Bill McCampbell. The district encompasses Monterey, San Benito and part of Santa Cruz County, and in Monterey County, the vote was much closer, Farr winning 48.6 to 46.4 percent.

- In the fifth supervisorial district, 71-year-old Sam Karas and 25-year-old Jeff Davi finished 1-2 in a six-person field to make an Aug. 3 runoff. Karas captured 37.8 percent of the vote and Davi 22.4 percent, edging out Fran Farina of Carmel Valley who won 20.4 percent. With Karas and Davi both being from Monterey, the Carmel-Carmel Valley area will be left without a direct representative on the Board of Supervisors.

- Authorization of a proposed \$22 million desalination plant on Monterey Bay was defeated 14,258 to 12,481. Dick Heuer, the water management district director who led the fight against the district's proposal, promised he would now work to try to see that a proposed new dam is approved. (See story on page 5.)

- Carmel's controversial commercial zoning ordinance, on the ballot as Measure H, was winning by just 20 votes with some late absentee ballots and provisional votes still to be counted. Before those votes were tallied, Measure H was ahead 1,076 to 1,056. Some proponents and opponents alike blamed the 11th-hour disclosure of heavy spending in support of the measure by former Mayor Clint Eastwood for the closeness of the race. (See story on page 3.)

In a telephone interview from Texas where he is making a film, Eastwood defended his spending on behalf of the zoning ordinance and disputed claims that the 11th hour disclosure of his expenditures had hurt it.

"Sour grapes," he told the Sun. "Sure I've spent money because I believe in this cause. I've spent money on a lot of things in Carmel."

"I just believe in supporting Mr. (Ken) White and the majority of the council whoever they might be," he added. He was critical of the leaders of the opposition to

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BIG SUR LAND TRUST PRESIDENT Max Chaplin announced the purchase of Point Lobos Ranch and plans to lease it to the state until the state buys it over the next 10 years.
Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

Land Trust Buys Point Lobos Ranch to Preserve It for State

By Carolyn Rice

The purchase of 1,312 acres across from Point Lobos State Reserve for \$11.1 million was announced Monday by the Big Sur Land Trust. One participant called its preservation from proposed development tantamount to "adding a wing to one of the greatest natural cathedrals on the planet."

A crowd of about 50 people sat in folding chairs in a meadow overlooking a sparkling Monastery Beach and heard representatives of the land trust, the ranch owners, conservationists and the State Parks Department describe the complex deal.

John Hudson, 57, a spokesman for the Hudson family whose heirs are in the partnerships which own the ranch, later

told *The Sun* the family had "very definitely come down on what the property was worth." Last January, an attorney for the partnerships valued it at around \$24.5 million.

But today's sluggish economy came into play in the sale price, Hudson said. "The other thing, it was a bird in the hand."

Although a permit application had been filed, public hearings on the proposed development of the land just south of Carmel had not been started, Hudson noted. "It would have been a long hard fight."

The owners had proposed construction of a 240-room hotel, 32 townhouses and a 36-bed youth hostel.

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Newsman Stillman Joins Sun as Co-Publisher

Stanley Stillman, head of an electronic news publishing and consulting firm and former *Time* correspondent, has joined the Sun as co-publisher.

"We're very pleased to have Stanley join us, because he brings not only strong editorial background but wide experience in publishing management," said Publisher Isabelle Hall. "Initially," she said, "he will concentrate on the publishing side of the Sun, including the direction of its advertising department."

Stillman, 53, moved to the peninsula with his wife, Andrea, and their children Adrienne, 7, and Leland, 5, from New York a year ago. Until recently, he was associated with a daily, electronically published newsletter near San Francisco. Andrea Stillman is executive director of the family trust that administers the publication of Ansel Adams writings and photographs.

The head of his own firm in electronic-mail news and reference retrieval informa-



STANLEY STILLMAN

tion services, Access Publishing, Stillman earned his bachelors degree from Yale in 1961 and his law degree from Harvard in 1966. He worked for a large New York City law firm before joining *Time Magazine*, first as the business manager for its Canadian edition and then as a correspondent from 1971-1977. At *Time*, he principally covered business and economic issues.

Stillman also will serve as secretary-treasurer of a newly organized corporation which owns and operates the Sun. He and Isabelle Hall will be the paper's co-publishers. She will be the corporation's president. Stan Hall will continue as the paper's editor and serve as the corporation's chairman. The three will make up its board.

Although Stillman never lived in California until recently, he has strong family ties to the state and visited often over

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LETTERS

A Tax and Spend Philosophy?

More and more it seems the Carmel City Council is too ready to accept whopping new taxes, I believe, needlessly. How else could the city administrator feel comfortable presenting a tax-filled revenue and budget on June 2? Is he nothing more than an errand boy for a City Council imbued with a tax and spend philosophy?

I believe it unfair for the next budget meeting to be held as scheduled on June 10. Businesses and residents need time to digest massive changes in Carmel's life-style that are inherent under the city administrator's proposals. There are all kinds of alternatives he did not lay on the table for discussion which, if not given a chance for reasonable review and comment by the public, will be cast aside as the City Council rushes to adopt new taxes. Hopefully, at last one council member will get around to protesting new taxes, but at the June 2 meeting I heard not one peep.

For starters, some sample questions. Why across-the-board salary increases when other cities and the private sector are cutting back or simply working longer and on holidays at standard wages? How does the average city salary compare with private sector enterprises that pay the taxes? Should public employees in general, and city employees in particular, be an elite group with special retirement and benefits packages beyond those in the private sector for comparable skills and responsibilities? Where is the list the spells out exactly the city employee benefits in detail? Although total dollars are not relatively great, why pay each council member \$5,000 when any number of qualified people would take the office without wages and benefits compensation?

Where is the list that exactly spells out the council member benefits in detail? Why stack a new water utility tax on top of the water service fees and taxes already being collected by the peninsula water agency and the Carmel wastewater agency, each agency as a result having excess money that could be factored back to the city? How many commercial and residential tenants can afford to pay extra to landlords that pass through a new rental tax? Many people will have a hundred other good questions.

Rufus Gates
Carmel

Where Were Sierra Club, Supervisors?

Sierra Club, where were you? It's too late, now, but with your help we might have been able to save the Salinas Valley, which is on the verge of losing its main water supply aquifer to seawater intrusion. It will be blamed on the Pacific Ocean. Actually, it was caused by a long succession of county supervisors (all devout environmentalists at election-time), who were fully aware of the danger and had the responsibility and the authority to take steps to prevent it from happening.

Short-term winners; big-money agriculture, and big-money residential and commercial development.

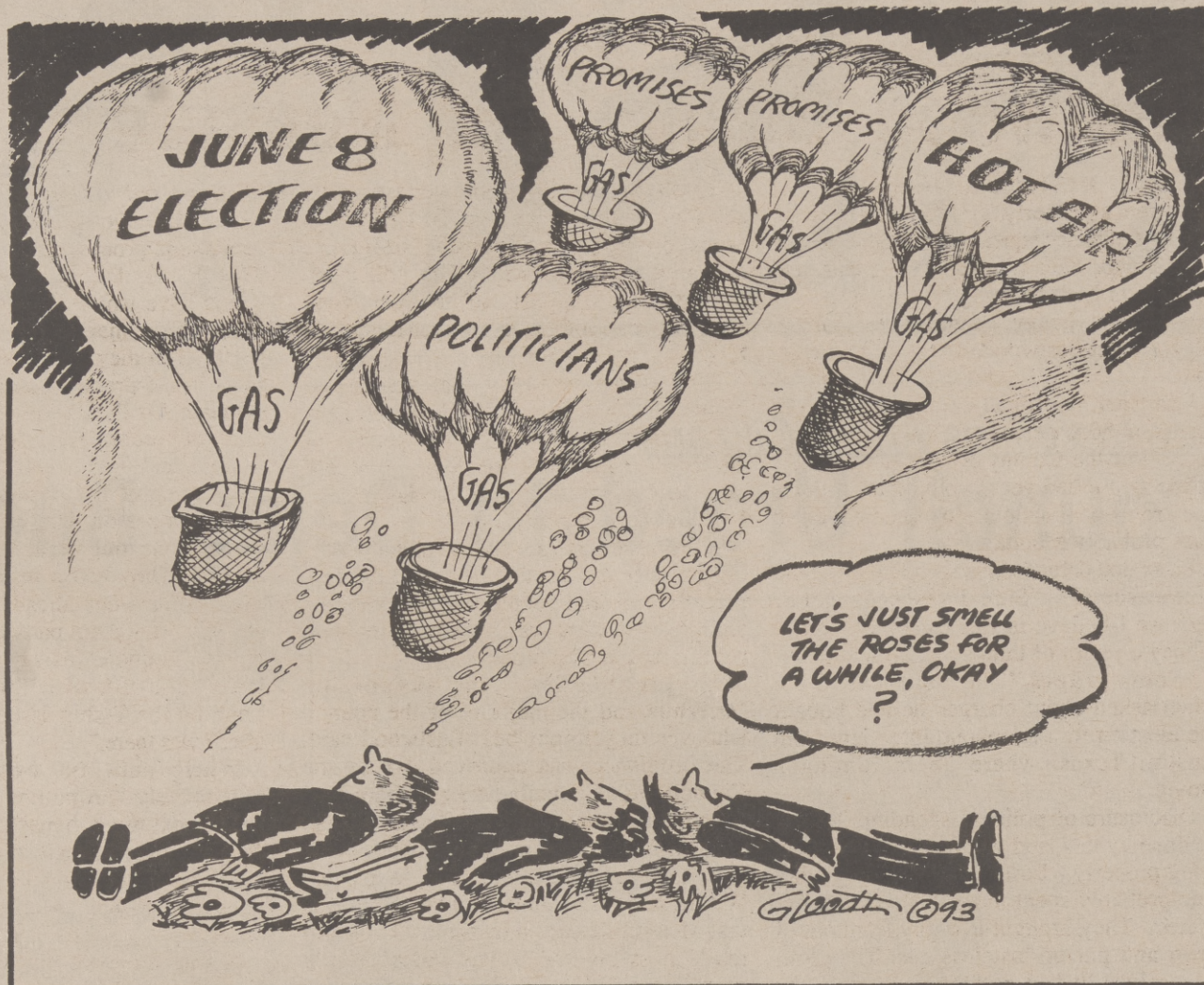
Long-term losers; all of those, plus about 150,000 residents who didn't really need more problems.

Mel Vercoe
Salinas

Left Fiddling with the Dial

BACH's lunch without Barbara Rose Shuler is like a fine dinner without wine. I have been a constant KBOQ listener and have especially enjoyed the noon-hour program. But now, I fiddle with the dial looking for the dulcet tones of Barbara's melodic voice and her excellent program selections. I'm sure a competing station will snap her up. KBOQ is not just the same without her.

Barbara Brooks
Carmel



Why Overlook Natural Desalination?

All this hype about desalinating ocean water overlooks the known potential of natural desalinated water from the sun via the continuous world wide hydrological cycle. Why are we completely disregarding the use of rainwater falling as storm water which is desalted, soft, fresh water delivered free? This rainy season has produced some 60,000 acre feet of usable, desalted water just on the populated areas of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, exclusive of the Carmel basin and Ft. Ord.

The water district has failed to apply rain harvesting technology, known as cistern systems, as a major supplemental water supply source for this area. For \$30 million they could have chosen to buy some 30,000 cisterns of 5,000 gallons dead storage for a like number of residential units. This assumes including plumbing retrofit and tanks to assist residents, to minimize their needs for drinking water.

The district could have encouraged property owners and businesses with tax incentives, as allowed in the early '80s by both the Feds and the state. With such incentives for cistern purchases, the public's price tag for rain harvesting could be reduced to near zero. Over time the district could increase the benefactors of natural desalinated water including public buildings and schools to exceed sea water desal prospects.

Keep tuned to what the water board does after the election.

William C. Woodworth
Pacific Grove

Liked Election Coverage

Congratulations on the special coverage of the election in your June 3 issue. It was the best around.

B. W. Barnes
Carmel

Concerned About Veeder Ranch

Being concerned with the proposed Garzas Road/Veeder 27 unit subdivision, I attended a meeting of the Water Board's Special Advisory Committee along with other interested parties to hear how Water West hypothetical water would be absorbed into Cal Am and allocated immediately to Tim Condon and his Veeder Ranch planned development.

Condon was ably represented by counsel who stated among other things that, "Mr. Condon owned the only lots of record that could be developed"—not true; and that "this was the only piece of land that Condon owned"—also not true; and that "Condon should be rewarded for prior land gifts"—of vertical, unusable and tax-deductible property. Not to be outdone, the Water Board attorney commented, "We'll have to find a way to legally handle the apportionment of water to Condon, but I do not foresee a problem."

I do foresee a problem and so should everyone else relying on trusted officials to act in the best interest of the majority who put them in office; not the special interest groups with the highest paid gun. This "under the table" allocation of water is not the Water Board's to give. Such a decision rests solely with the County.

Interested parties who oppose another twenty-seven units on the other side of a single-lane bridge, in a high fire risk and breathtakingly beautiful park area, please contact me at P.O. Box 873, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. Your support really can make a difference.

Michael H. Collins
Carmel Valley

Go Slow on Regional Planning

I read the information in your packet regarding the proposed Regional Planning Program sponsored by the League of Women Voters. I am very opposed to the establishment of another regional governmental agency. Moreover, the cost to the taxpayer of this scheme is unknown which is how we get saddled with more government than we want or need in the first place.

The notion of our city giving up even limited planning control to a super county planning agency is very disturbing and contrary to the 1988 General Plan. As we all know, our village is unique, and our community planning interests are very different from other cities. I see this as a dangerous first step. I, for one, have no desire to see planning decisions for Carmel made in Salinas.

I trust the City Council will not take any action to support or endorse the presentation being made until after the public policy issues are studied, and the whole matter is referred to the Planning Commission and public for extensive review, input and cost/benefit analysis.

Howard Nieman, Jr.
Carmel

The author wrote to Carmel Mayor Ken White before Tuesday's council meeting and sent a copy to the Sun.—The Ed.

Election Coverage Was Fair

Just a brief note to thank you for the wonderful election section of the Sun. Every candidate was treated fairly and received good exposure.

Supervisor Sam Karas
Monterey

Coverage a Service

The Weekly Sun is to be congratulated for the in-depth account of the Children's Experimental Theatre, a significant local resource, which appeared in Barbara Shuler's June 3 column.

She gives us a wide-ranging view of the various types of experience and training given to young people there and enlightens us about the all-important underlying philosophy of Marcia Hovick, the executive director.

This is an article which is of real value to the community.

Mary Morain
Carmel

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"Sour Grapes," Says Ex-Mayor

Eastwood Blamed for Measure H's Narrow Margin

By Isabelle Hall

Carmel's bitterly divisive commercial zoning ordinance squeaked through Tuesday with Mayor Ken White, a proponent, and opponents both blaming the disclosure of last minute heavy spending by former Mayor Clint Eastwood for the narrow margin.

The final, unofficial count was 1,076 to 1,056 or 50.4 percent to 49.5 percent in favor, but the County Registrar of Voters office said it had yet to count late absentee and provisional ballots and would not do so until probably Monday.

Eastwood defended his spending on behalf of Measure H. "Sure I've spent money because I believe in this cause. I've spent money on a lot of things in Carmel.

"Sour grapes," he told the *Sun* when asked about charges he had bought the election in a telephone interview from Austin, Texas, where he is filming a movie.

Disclosure of political spending "has to be done by law, and we intend to do everything properly," Eastwood said. "The other side probably spent more than is being reported. They brought in a guy from out of town and put up tasteless ads. They hurt themselves. It had nothing to do with the money I spent. They seem to be letting Eastwood wag the dog of the community."

There was no talk of a recount when the *Sun* went to press Wednesday. "I don't know what the basis for recount would be," said Jim Wright, chairman of Citizens Against Rezoning. County officials said any registered voter can order a recount after election results are certified, but must pay for it.

The ordinance extends the Central Commercial zone south to Seventh Avenue to include 17 properties that had been in the Service Commercial zone and simplifies the business license process. Opponents said it would open the way for more tourist-type shops selling T-shirts and other souvenirs.

White claimed the effect of 11th hour news of Eastwood spending nearly

\$42,000 in the fight showed in early absentee ballots. They were 351 to 291 in favor of Measure H as the ordinance appeared on the ballot. A *Sun* poll taken prior to news reports of the Eastwood spending also indicated a larger margin in favor.

"I'm embarrassed by that amount of money that would be put into an election that should be settled by the people of Carmel," White told the *Sun*. "I'm not even sure when they count the late absentees where we're going to be."

White said the Eastwood spending was "a big factor in the election. It closed the gap. It really bothered people however well intended the thought was. It showed interference in the election process."

"I just believe in supporting Mr. White and the majority of the council whoever they might be," Eastwood said. The ordinance was approved 4-1 by the Council with Councilwoman Barbara Livingston dissenting although Councilwoman Barbara Brooks later joined the opposition.

"I assume the ordinance is in place," Wright said. "The indication last night was that Measure H passed by some 20 votes so that's a swing of 11 yes votes. That's pretty close. I think if the playing field had been a little more level in terms of campaign resources that might have had an effect."

Olof Dahlstrand, honorary chair of Yes for Carmel, a citizens group formed to support the ordinance, said, "On behalf of Yes for Carmel, I would like to thank the voters who affirmed their belief in our city government process with the ratification of Ordinance 92-23. We believe that the final vote showed respect for truth and common sense. We are especially proud to have had the support of six former mayors of Carmel-by-the-Sea."

Livingston charged, "This is the second election bought by Mr. Eastwood. He personally spent \$35,000 to elect himself mayor in 1986 and now this year \$42,000 of his own money in support of this measure. I think the measure is going

to tarnish our village. As a former mayor, he should have had more respect for the democratic process than to buy an election. There's no doubt in my mind that we would have won had absentee voters been aware of the massive spending by the Yes people. But they voted early before disclosures in the press. I don't believe this is a mandate for the mayor. I'm going to ask him to reconvene the General Plan committee."

Speaking of Livingston, Eastwood said, "Here's a person who's an elected official who's gone out of her way to defy the council. They had a majority margin and Livingston went ahead and campaigned anyway. That's not particularly Hoyle. Livingston is quoted as saying I brought in a lower class of tourist. The city fought Paul Laub on the T-shirt issue long before and after I was there."

White said he would start work immediately "on pulling some people together next week to make some recommendations to the council to instruct the Planning Commission to take some specific actions in clarifying specific points in the ordinance."

"I want to come out with a better ordinance," he said. "I'm concerned about ancillary use and also the Residential Commercial (RC) zone." He said he thought it could be on the agenda by July or August but "My big problem is to get people back talking together."

"It was a David and Goliath race with yes

outspending 10 to 1 for a 20 vote split," Brooks said. "We have a very divided community. I support the mayor's pledge for the council to revisit the ordinance in July to correct the flaws that surfaced during the campaign. We now have an ordinance supported by half the community and a split council."

Eastwood likened Brooks to "our federal politicians of late." He said she "vacillated from side to side. One minute she's for it, the next she isn't. He said if Al Eisner and David Maradei, who gathered the signatures for a referendum on zoning, "had gotten away with this, they could have everything by referendum. Brooks and Livingston could just be attending council meetings and looking good going from referendum to referendum."

White said, "I'm not even sure when they count the late absentees where we're going to be. I hope that even that small margin of victory holds up. I think that the newspaper reports of large amounts of money being poured into Yes on H probably lost 5 to 8 percent of the vote."

Eastwood, who owns a building at San Carlos and Fifth Avenue, pointed out that the ordinance helps Glenn and Marian Leidig, "Two of the nicest people in the world, stellar members of the community. They had their zoning robbed but everyone is putting it on to me. My business is not being a landlord in Carmel but when people are in trouble, I carry them. I know a lot of

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Four Architectural Firms Chosen In Sunset Remodeling Semi-Finals

The Architectural Selection Committee Wednesday chose four semi-finalists for the \$30,000 remodeling study for the proposed multi-million dollar renovation of Carmel's Sunset Theater.

Selected for a final interview June 30 were:

- Architectural Resources Group of San Francisco
- HGHB of Monterey
- Boor-A of Portland, Ore.
- The Ratcliff Architects of Emeryville

Committee Chairman John Thodos presented the four finalists to the Sunset Task Force at an 8 a.m. meeting. They were chosen out of a group of 24 entries.

"They all had good qualifications," Thodos said. "We scored them individually with a numerical score, and whoever had the top numbers went on to the next breakdown—24 to 12, 12 to 6 and 6 to 4. We reviewed them carefully."

Thodos said, "It did work out that we had

one local firm and two quasi-local in the San Francisco area and one outsider. It wasn't done on a geographic basis. It just happened that way."

A representative of the Portland firm appeared before the Task Force Committee several months ago to advise it on how to proceed with the formal Request for Proposal (RFP).

Carmel architect Brian Congleton and Hornberger and Worstell of San Francisco were late with their bids March 17 and just won approval from the City Council Tuesday for acceptance on a consent calendar motion.

Thodos said the Task Force would interview the four finalists June 30 and render a decision July 1. Other members of the selection committee are Nancy Doolittle, Hilton Bialek, Davis Factor and Linda Anderson. Thodos said Anderson did not participate because she was on vacation but would be involved in the final selection.

After Desal's Defeat

Heuer Promises to Fight for Dam

The leader of the successful campaign to block authorization of a desalination plant on Monterey Bay promised Wednesday he would fight just as hard to try to assure that a proposed new Los Padres dam is approved within the next few years.

After voters rejected the desal proposal by a 53.3-46.6 percent margin, Dick Heuer, the senior member of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) board, told the *Sun*:

"At the appropriate time—and that will be after the (dam) EIR/EIS is complete—I will organize a public support group to lobby federal and state agencies to get the permits needed for the dam."

Saying he was optimistic approval could be obtained for the proposed 24,000 acre-foot dam, Heuer added, "I want to assure voters that I will work just as hard to get the permits and win voter approval for the dam as I have to defeat desal at this time."

A supporter of the proposed desal plant in Sand City, former Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood told the *Sun* by telephone: "Every time a vote comes up on desal or the dam, it's right in the middle of a rainstorm. This happened in 1976 too after the drought ended and everybody forgot about the dam. It makes it tough for people to go out and spend the dough."

Jeff Davi, who won a runoff spot on Aug. 3 for fifth district supervisor, also expressed disappointment at the desal result. "It's too bad. I still support desal, but with the vote, we'll have to put all our efforts behind the dam now. But it still can't be built before 2002."

Heuer found himself at odds with the majority of the water board over the proposed 3-million-gallon-a-day desal plant, leading

the fight against it while his colleague on the board, Dale Hekhuis, spearheaded the campaign for it. Fran Farina, also of Carmel Valley, joined Heuer among MPWMD directors in opposing the proposed desal project.

Heuer's main argument was that if voters approved desal now, it would likely doom chances for approval of a second project in a few years, the dam. He argued that additional water was not needed immediately and that the dam would provide far more environmental benefit to the Carmel River.

Heuer said he spoke to groups totaling more than 1,300 people in his campaign to defeat the \$22 million desal plant. He added that he felt it was "desirable and appropriate" for him to expend at least as much effort in now working to win approval for the dam, adding he expected the final EIR/EIS to be completed early next year.

Heuer said that should it be impossible to win approval for the new dam, the community always could reconsider a desal plant to provide additional water.

Jim Cofer, general manager of the water management district, expressed disappointment at the outcome, but said, "It's clear the community is not prepared to move ahead at this time."

The district has spent \$1.3 on studies, including an environmental impact report, for the desal project. Cofer said, "We can put the project on the shelf (and resurrect it if appropriate) but I think it probably would take a new EIR."

Told of Heuer's pledge to work for the dam's approval, Cofer commented, "That's good." He added, however, that he estimated that a public vote on the dam probably is three years away at the earliest."

Ed Lee's Analysis Shows Correlation Between Sunspots, Drought on Coast

Edwin B. Lee of Carmel, a physicist by training, said he has found a correlation between dry years on the Central Coast and the lack of sunspot activity in the heavens.

Lee, who earned a masters in physics from the University of Washington and is a former member of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, suggested in his study that "the next dry/drought period should begin between 1996 and 2000. We shall wait and see."

He came to that conclusion after studying the relationship between dry years and sunspot activity. Asked what prompted him to do that, he said his high school physics teacher in Kalispell, Mont., first suggested a correlation in 1940.

He said his study showed that sunspot activity has oscillated without interruption since 1610 to the present on an 11.1 year cycle. Lee compared recorded sunspot activity with dry and critically dry years in

the Carmel River basin using data going back to 1902 that was collected by the water management district.

Comparing charts of sunspot activity and streamflow, Lee said he found that three of eight critically dry years coincided with the minimum activity in the sunspot cycle. Conversely, he said he found that highest streamflows occurred in five of eight cases when sunspot activity was greatest.

"The number of critically dry years proximate to sunspot minima and high flows proximate to sunspot maxima make it difficult to argue that no relationship exists between sunspots and wet/dry years locally," Lee wrote.

He cited studies which suggested changes in geomagnetic activity could cause deviation in typical weather patterns in the Gulf of Alaska and the movement of cold air and the jetstream further south than normal.

SHERIFF'S LOG

CARMEL. A man who lives on Santa Lucia reported someone came onto his driveway and broke the hood ornament off his Mercedes. 5/31.

VILLAGE. A man who lives on Carmel Valley Road complained about dogs barking on Live Oak Lane. A deputy went to the home where the dogs were, but no one was home. 5/31.

Missing Ring Found

VALLEY. A guest at Quail Lodge reported an expensive ring was missing from her room. It was found in the room after she checked out. 6/1.

VALLEY. The office manager at Del Mesa Carmel reported \$40 in cash was taken from the office on 5/30. 6/1.

CARMEL. A Caltrans superintendent reported finding a possible pipe bomb in Hatton Canyon about a quarter-mile north of Carmel Valley Road. It turned out to be scrap. 6/1.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Flanders Drive reported finding five folding street barricades at the end of Canyon Drive. They were returned to the City of Monterey, which owned them. 6/1.

\$300 Car Burglary Loss

BIG SUR. A Marina Del Rey woman reported losing \$300 in cash when her car was burglarized while she was camping in Big Sur. 6/1.

VILLAGE. A woman who lives on Carmel Valley Road reported someone shattered a 4 by 6 window in her home by throwing a rock through it. 6/1.

VALLEY. Carmel Valley Fire Department officials sought assistance with a woman who lives on Via Milpitas who took medication with alcohol. She was taken to Community Hospital for treatment and subsequently transferred to Garden Pavilion for self-treatment. 6/1.

Van Vandalized Again

CARMEL. A woman who lives on Mesa Drive said someone smashed out a window in her mini-van while it was parked at her residence, causing \$170 damage. A deputy noted it was the fourth incident of vandalism to her vehicle since November of 1992. 6/2.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on Rio Road called to complain about a loud party in the neighborhood. She said she was concerned about teenagers hanging out in the roadway and dumping bottles on her property. 6/2.

RIO ROAD. A woman fled the Crossroads Safeway when confronted by an employee. The woman had put three bottles of cognac under her coat, paid for a few small items and left the store when the confrontation occurred, the employee told a deputy. 6/3.

\$200 School Theft

CARMEL. A student at Carmel High School reported someone stole \$200 from a box she left unattended in the girl's locker room. 6/3.

RIO ROAD. A woman who lives on Rotunda Drive reported her wallet was stolen from her purse which was in a shopping cart at the Crossroads Safeway. She said the suspect was a man in his 30s wearing a light green jacket. 6/4.

VALLEY. A man who lives on Schulte Road said he loaned his pickup to an employee, who failed to return it by the time he promised. The employee telephoned the man that he was in county jail, but a check showed he had lied. The truck was identified as a red and silver 1989 Ford King Cab. 6/4.

SOUTH COAST. A Monterey man, who was waiting for his wife to pick him up after he had a flat tire on Highway 1 a mile south of Highland Drive, said a white Honda Civic drove up behind him, a man got out, smashed his windshield with a rock and then fled. 6/4.

CARMEL. An owner of a residential care home on Flanders Drive reported that a patient was out of control. 6/4.

Candy Machine Robbed

CARMEL. A clerk at Mission Inn reported a candy vending machine had been broken into and both money and candy stolen. 6/4.

VALLEY. Employees at Mid Valley Chevron reported a customer skipped out without paying a \$33.73 gas bill. 6/4.

VILLAGE. A man who lives on Buena Vista Del Rio reported his home was burglarized, five hunting knives, a .25 caliber pistol, a watch and coins being stolen. 6/4.

CARMEL. A passerby found the rear door open at the UA Crossroads Cinema, but nothing appeared to be amiss. 6/5.

Swiss Tourists Victimized

SOUTH COAST. Two Swiss tourists reported their car was burglarized when they left it for 10 minutes alongside Highway 1 at Soberanes Creek. Stolen were two cameras, their Swiss identification papers, Swiss francs and U. S. currency. 6/5.

BIG SUR. A tourist from British Columbia told State Parks Department officials he found a back pack, empty holster and other items on rocks at the end of Partington cove. A deputy theorized they may have belonged to a person whose body was subsequently found floating in the cove. 6/5. (The coroner's office identified the body as that of Stephen Lee Carter, 28, of Anthony, Fla., who drowned after apparently shooting himself in the head. A note was found at the scene.)

CARMEL. A North Hollywood woman telephoned to report a pair of silver earrings valued at \$50 were stolen from her room at Mission Inn. 6/5.

CARMEL. A security man found the rear door open at the Crossroads Cinema, but nothing seemed to be amiss. 6/6.

Lost Purse Returned

CARMEL. Her purse was returned to a Pacific Grove woman after being turned in by the manager of the Crossroads Cafe where she had left it. 6/6.

CARMEL. An anonymous caller reported three juveniles were on the roof of the outside walkway at Carmel River School. The youths told a deputy they were up there picking fruit from overhanging trees. 6/6

SOUTH COAST. A man who lives near Highway 1 and Garrapata Beach said a Carmel Valley woman was trespassing and refused to leave his property. 6/6.



SWIMMING IS BANNED at Carmel River Beach and wading in the river near the mouth of the valley is prohibited because of pollution from a pipeline break.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Walter Wong Says

Sewage Spill to Keep River Closed

County Environmental Health Director Walter Wong said it will probably be two more weeks before it will be safe to wade or swim at the mouth of the Carmel River following its contamination by a broken sewer pipe.

Tests showed the river had been seriously contaminated with coliform bacteria by the breakage in the private sewer line serving Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, Wong said. He also expressed concern that people continued to take down signs posted to warn against getting into the contaminated water.

Wong said the warning signs would probably stay up at least two more weeks, explaining that it took a week to complete lab tests to detect the presence of coliform bacteria.

New Carmel Water Ordinance Wins Approval

With City Hall virtually empty on election night, the Carmel City Council Tuesday passed a new water ordinance establishing a process for water allocation once the new Paralta Well in Seaside comes on line.

Mayor Ken White opened and closed a public hearing without comment, and the ordinance was approved on first reading virtually without discussion. City Administrator Jere Kersnar noted that the public would be able to comment next month on an allocation resolution spelling out precisely how the new water would be divvied up.

The resolution allocates 65 percent, or 7.15 acre feet of the new water to single family residential construction, including new dwellings on vacant lots, additions and additional plumbing fixtures in existing dwellings.

Twenty percent or 2.20 acre feet would be set aside for all forms of permanent and non-transient multi-family residential housing.

New commercial floor space and conversion of existing floor space to uses with a greater demand for water was given just 5 percent or .55 acre feet. Municipal projects, whether renovated or new, also got 5 percent and another 5 percent was set aside for an unallocated reserve.

William Boone Dies of Cancer

William Judson Boone of Carmel Valley, known for his love of sports and volunteer work on behalf of youth, died of cancer at the Hospice of the Central Coast. He was 69.

The husband of Headmistress Laurie Boone, he devoted much of his volunteer efforts on behalf of All Saints' Day School. He played tennis regularly at John Gardiner's Tennis Ranch, and served as a 4-H Club leader and president of the Monterey School of Music.

Memorial services were held Monday at both All Saints' School and St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Carmel Valley. A native of Idaho, Boone died June 2.

A graduate of Yale who served in the Marines in both World War II and Korea, he is survived by his widow, two daughters—Kathryn King Boone of Dedham, Mass., and Louise Boone Bowen-West of London—and a son, C. Lawrence Boone of Carmel Valley and San Francisco. Other survivors include a brother and a sister.

The family suggested that any memorial contributions be sent to All Saints' Episcopal Day School, P. O. Box 763, Carmel, 93921.

Woman to Discuss Bosnia on Tuesday

Dr. Anica Vesel Mander, who was born in Sarajevo and has recently returned from a trip to Bosnia, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley. Her topic will be "Never Again! and Again and Again..."

A \$5 donation will be collected at the door. Dr. Mander is a professor at New College of California in San Francisco, and her mother, Mela Vesel, lives in Carmel.

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Council Oks Laub Agreement, Ends 13 Years of Legal Battle

The Carmel City Council unanimously approved a broad agreement giving merchant Paul Laub 10 business uses in his Ocean Avenue Paradise Building Tuesday, ending 13 years of acrimony and lawsuits.

The council gave first reading to an ordinance implementing the 25-year agreement signed March 30 without change despite concerns by the Planning Commission that 50 percent of the entire 4,750-square foot building could be turned over to the sale of T-shirts. At the time the agreement was signed, Mayor Ken White said the commission's role would be one of "review" only.

No one spoke during the public hearing and there was no debate. "We are finally ending something that's been with us a long time," said White.

Last minute negotiations threatened to derail the court-ordered settlement that had been approved on a 5-0 vote without further cost to the city beyond the estimated \$150,000 in legal costs already incurred by the taxpayers.

The last-minute dispute was revealed in letters made public June 4 in which attorney Michael Stamp, representing Carmel, said he had discussed Planning Commission concerns with Laub's attorney, Andrew Swartz, from May 1 to June 3. He said Swartz informed him Laub would "not negotiate further and would make no changes to the version signed by him prior to the Planning Commission meeting."

A letter from Swartz confirmed that "Paul Laub is willing to go forward with the development as originally executed by him in March." Swartz said Laub did agree to delete mobile home and oil company uses from the list of 10 he will be allowed.

Stamp pointed out in his letter that, "Because this proposed agreement arose in the context of a proposed settlement of four lawsuits, the commission's input could not be worked into the final draft without the assent of Mr. Laub." He said the points raised by the commissioners were appropriate and good, however.

Laub filed his first suit against the city in 1980 and said he had paid about \$500,000 in legal fees. Under the agreement, he agreed to drop four remaining suits and claims of \$27 million in damages. A contempt of court order against his wife, Connie, will be dropped.

The heart of the 25-page agreement is the provision giving the Laubs 10 business uses in the building at the corner of San Carlos and Dolores, a prime downtown location. Laub had claimed that he had unrestricted uses in the building since they were established in the 1970's, long before zoning regulations adopted in Carmel in 1984.

Unlike the condition placed on all other businesses in town, Laub is permitted to use 50 percent of the space in the building for the sale of T-shirts "in recognition of an existing, vested use of that scope and nature."

When the agreement went to the Planning Commission as required by law, members expressed concern that if a single business occupied the building, it could result in 50 percent of the entire space being devoted to T-shirt sales although they acknowledged that this is virtually the situation now.

Commissioners also did not like the exemption on a master use tenant for any new parking requirements that might be imposed city-wide and were concerned that the Paradise building also would be immune for 25 years from amortization of nonconforming uses, should that ever occur.

Because of the council's desire to end the bitter dispute, however, commissioners settled for recommending some "minor" changes to the agreement.

The agreement was approved by the Monterey County Superior Court after a half dozen judicial conferences with Judge William Wunderlich presiding. It generally recognizes the nonconforming rights which were grandfathered into the 1984 zoning ordinance and the restrictions placed on those

uses in 1987 when the city won one of the Laub lawsuits giving it the right to restrict retail business in the basement and requiring approval of all uses.

The agreement calls for extensive remodeling of the exterior of the building over a two-year period after which the four lawsuits would be dismissed and the contempt citation set aside. The court will retain jurisdiction of the case to resolve "any disputes that may arise."

Under the agreement, retail jewelry space is limited to 1,000 square feet which does not have to include a repair or craftsman plus a second jewelry store with a craftsman on the site that sells no mass produced items and is also limited to 1,000 square feet.

Retail space for the sale of art is restricted to 1,000 square feet but could increase to 1,500 square feet once the second phase of the remodeling is completed. No food, liquor, restaurant or retail food uses of any kind are allowed unless the city changes its regulations on these uses.

Laub agreed to present plans to remodel the Ocean Avenue entrances and windows, repaint the exterior of the building and provide a lighting and landscaping plan for the Dolores side. The Ocean Avenue side would be covered in the first phase. By April 15, 1994, Laub must submit a proposal for the second phase on the Dolores Street side of the building.

Ocean Avenue Coffee Boutique Is Approved

The City Council rebuffed arguments by Leidig /Draper Properties Tuesday on a 5-0 vote, unanimously approving Gaspar Cardinale's application to open a new coffee boutique and roasting operation on Ocean Avenue.

The council denied an appeal by Ted Leidig in behalf of Jean Draper who lives in a second story apartment above the courtyard in the Las Tiendas Building where the new Carmel Roasting Co. would be located. Cardinale planned to use storage space for the boutique now used by his Village Shoe Store.

Attorney Thomas Bohnen said, "Our primary concern is that is not a roasting business but sale by the cup. It's creating a courtyard cafe that will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. That's a dramatic intrusion on residents in the area particularly Mrs. Draper who's only a few feet away."

He said the second concern was that coffee roasting produces "a pungent rather than foul-smelling odor, like burning tires."

Cardinale said the key word in his application was "boutique." He said he and his sons were trying to create "a very limited special type of coffee roasting business." He said if he were the council, "I'd be much more concerned with establishments that served beer and wine than a little outfit that served coffee and closed at 8."

Bob Leidig said he was concerned that the city "may be establishing a precedent we do not realize. Is this intensification of use?" He said he also questioned the staff saying no water would be used when "a dessert coffee bar with 28 seats is going to use some water."

"If it's a new policy decision, that's fine," Leidig added. "We would also like to do the same thing and convert existing open space to coffee bar seating."

The application had been approved by the Planning Commission April 28 by a 6-1 vote with Commissioner Maggie Hardy dissenting. The council approved it 4-0 with Councilman Phil Coniglio stepping down because he said he was related to Cardinale.



A GIANT SANDPILE greeted students at Tularcitos School after dump trucks unloaded material for a new playground at the elementary school in Carmel Valley Village. Parents had been invited to help distribute the sand last weekend, but the project was rained out.
Sun photo by Carol Davis

Forge Sign Returned to Planners

After agreeing to a compromise, the City Council Tuesday upheld an appeal by the owner of the Forge in the Forest and the General Store restaurant and remanded his application for sign approval to the Planning Commission.

In a reversal of usual policy, the council voted 4-0 to let the amount of space devoted to a sign be fluid if Dan Glosser would apply for another business license for his diversified enterprise at the corner of Junipero and Fifth Avenue. Councilman Phil Coniglio stepped down because he is the manager of a nearby competing business, Piatti's Restaurant.

Glosser had been so angered by the original commission action April 28 that he put a for sale sign on his 10,000 square foot restaurant, bakery and wine cellar dining room. One of his signs had been described as "too cutesy" and he was ordered to take down both signs and lights.

Councilman Bob Fischer made the suggestion that if Glosser would apply for one more business license, it would give him a total of 30 square feet for signs. He suggested the council then consider the total as floating space to be used as Glosser wanted. The city code allows 10 square feet per business.

"This is an unusual occurrence," Councilwoman Barbara Brooks said. "We might ask the Planning Commission to look at an adjustment for large property."

I've never seen it go the other way where there were five businesses and now there's one and he's trying to give the impression of many uses. The idea of breaking it up is much in character with what we want for Carmel."

"There's no question this is a beautiful spot," Mayor Ken White said. "The idea of more business licenses is very good. When we take each little thing by itself, we get into arguments."

White argued in behalf of Glosser presenting a specific plan for signage to the commission as he previously agreed to do with lighting on the property but his representative, Neil Kruse, was reluctant to agree.

"It puts me in an awkward position," Kruse said. "I'd like to confer with the owner who's on a plane. I'm feeling a little uncertain."

"I hate to see us send it back to the Planning Commission," Brooks said. "I'm concerned with the great emphasis on the fact that the sign was put up without permission. He shouldn't be treated in a punitive manner. It doesn't seem fair to me that he be ordered to take it down, have it destroyed and the wall painted."

Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth explained that Glosser applied for sign approval after being told by the city that a large sign on his restaurant had been put up without approval.



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Carmel Budget Balanced on New Charges

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head gardener fired to owners of both residential and commercial property and business interests fearful the new and higher levies will hurt them even more during the current economic downturn.

Rufus R. Gates, a resident who wrote the *Sun*, said it was unfair for the budget meeting to be held today when "businesses and residents need time to digest massive changes in Carmel's lifestyle..." He asked rhetorically if the new city administrator Jere Kersnar was "nothing more than an errand boy for a city council imbued with a tax and spend philosophy?"

A public hearing was scheduled at City Hall at 4 p.m. today to take action on a series of resolutions approving the 1993-94 budget which is balanced by raising fees and cutting seven employees. If required, the meeting will be continued to Friday at 6 p.m.

Howard Nieman, Jr., a private investor, wrote White expressing concern at the council's attempt to "ramrod" adoption of the budget after only seven days of public review and a single public hearing which he called a "grossly insufficient level of public participation. The complexity of the budget proposals and in particular the wide range of new fees on Carmel-by-the-Sea taxpayers and businesses require in-depth study. I do not understand the need to rush through the budget process and further tax our residents until these proposals are more fully understood and justified."

"The mayor and Jere Kersnar feel the need for a budget by this weekend," Councilwoman Brooks told the *Sun*. "I'm feeling pressured. We're being asked to make major decisions in a rush."

The budget cuts direct personnel costs by \$677,144 but budgets \$144,000 for an across-the-board 4 percent salary increase for the 77-member staff which would remain. It is balanced on anticipated revenues of \$286,000 from a smorgasbord of new taxes and higher fees.

At issue are new fees that will fall on

both business and residents such as a 25-cent tax on admission to all public performances in the city and requiring a business license plus 1 percent of the gross of all residential and commercial rental property. The two taxes are among the most controversial in the package and each would require amendments to the municipal code.

Kersnar told the *Sun* all the details had not been worked out but he said there would have to be further public hearings on some of the new fees and said, "I expect we will have to revisit this budget in the first part of the new fiscal year." He said the consensus was that it will be September before the state budget is enacted so cities will know precisely how much money they are losing in revenues.

One source of contention stemmed from Kersnar's statement at a Town Hall meeting that Carmel was top heavy with management, but the seven persons given pink slips did not appear to be top management.

"I don't know what people were expecting," Kersnar said. "I don't know exactly how to respond. I meant everything between my position and the first line positions—supervisor, manager, everything. That has been what we've done. The position cuts include a librarian, fire prevention officer, head gardener and the head of the Recreation Department. All of those are first line positions, all supervisors or administrators."

What happens now, he explained, will be up to the city's bumping policy whereby any employee whose position is cut can opt to move down to the position immediately below. If this happens, he said the next employee in line will get a pink slip. The whole process could take months because each dismissal requires 30 days notice, he said.

"People like to get nervous and excited and get everybody riled up," Livingston said. "There are some cuts in service I'm not happy with. The head gardener. We can't have Carmel looking shabby. But the citizens and business peo-

ple can get together and try their hardest to get the city to look well. We all have to be kind of grown up about this and assume some responsibility."

But she asked, "Why did we hire this man. We hired him to help us. It's nothing we're going to be stuck with the rest of history. I want to be very supportive of the city administrator. He's the one who's in charge of the staff, and he's responsible for maintaining the level of service."

Fischer said he had some problems with the proposed rental fees on both business and residential properties. "I never could get a clear interpretation," he said. "Is it boarding houses or a rented house in Carmel? It would make every landlord a business person, and that's wrong."

Fischer said he thought trying to pass the budget now was "asking too much considering the state won't pass its budget until at least September. Some of these issues can be looked at in December."

Phyllis Newman, a member of Voice of Carmel and Carmel Citizens for Good Government, speaking personally, said, "Carmel-by-the-Sea cannot afford to push through a flawed budget. Until such time as the city knows what revenue the state of California will provide, it's a waste of time resulting in a duplication of effort."

"It's very obvious they're giving such short notice because they don't want to give people time to participate. To balance the budget, lay people off and increase fees and also have additional new fees and yet increase salaries of city employees does not make sense."

White said he did not favor moving Recreation Department activities to Sunset Center as proposed in the budget. "I want to look at combining the Recreation Commission and the Forest and Beach Commission." He said Carmel could have

specialists on the staff do some of the work or it could contract for special recreation services like some other cities do.

"This is the first budget in a couple of years that will get back on the mainstream," White said. "We would have made it without the state interference. They're perfectly willing to let the infrastructure of our city fall apart. It makes no damn sense to me to let the state's cities fall apart just to keep their little empire going."

Nieman complained in two separate letters that the scheduling of the two public meetings on the budget on June 2 and today, the day after the two weekly newspapers that cover the city are distributed, "denies the press a fair opportunity to provide residents and businesses with information on which all interested parties can then make informed and timely comments to each of you."

"Taken together, this state of affairs is an unforgivable example of a process designed to frustrate public involvement and understanding. Now I understand a meeting has been scheduled for Friday at 6 p.m. in case work on the budget is not completed on June 10. This schedule represents the

worst abuse of the public hearing process I have ever seen in this community. It is an outrage and sends a very clear message to all of us."

Commenting on the commercial zoning issue in Tuesday's election (see story on page 3), former Mayor Clint Eastwood noted, "The new city administrator's budget doesn't seem to have a lot of cut-backs...Why doesn't the city council get together and encourage more private sector participation? Restoration of Sunset Center is an example. Obviously we're not going to have the funds to do a lot of that."

New Fees Being Proposed In the 1993-94 Carmel Budget

Here is a list of the new fees being proposed in the new Carmel City budget:

Residential Rental Property Business License: \$15 plus 1 percent of total gross revenue from all rental units: Estimated revenue unknown.

Commercial Property Owners Rental: \$15 per space plus 1 percent of total gross revenues. Estimated revenue unknown.

Municipal Code Violation Fines: up to \$255. Estimated revenue \$50,000.

Utility Franchise Fees for Cal-Am: 2 percent of total gross revenues. Estimated revenue \$46,100.

Paid Admissions Fee: 25 cents per person, per event. Estimated revenue \$27,000.

Tour Bus Parking Fee: \$5 per hour. Estimated revenue \$28,800.

Paid Parking at City Hall: \$20 per space, per month weekdays; \$30 per space, per month, weekends. Estimated revenue \$5,400.

Passenger Transport Company Permit: \$20 per vehicle. Estimated Revenue \$300.

Citation Sign-off by Police: \$11. Estimated revenue \$200.

Temporary Alcoholic Beverage Service Permit for city functions: \$20. Estimated revenue \$200.

Concealed Weapons Permit: \$115. Zero revenue estimated.

Vehicle Abatement Fee: \$85. Estimated revenue \$255.

Vehicle Towing Service Permit: \$20. Estimated revenue \$100.

Tow Truck Driver's Permit: \$15. Estimated revenue \$75.

Disturbing the Peace Fee: \$40. Estimated revenue \$400.

Annual Paging Fee: \$14. Estimated revenue \$200.

Discretionary Investigations: \$45. Estimated revenue \$180.

Animal Transport Fee to the SPCA: \$31. Estimated revenue \$1,000.

Rental of City traffic cones or barricades: \$5 to \$40: Estimated revenue \$80.

Debris Pick-up Fine: \$10 if citizen requests it; \$100 fine for illegal dumping. Estimated revenue unknown.

Burglar Alarm Application and Operation Fee: \$15 per year. Estimated revenue \$4,500.

Here is a list of the proposed fee increases:

Appeals to the Council: from \$100 to \$200. Estimated revenue: \$1,000.

Purchase Official Tapes: from \$20 to \$27; audit, \$11. Estimated revenue \$108.

Vista Lobos Storage: \$120 to all outside agencies or organizations. Estimated revenue \$2,880.

Nonsufficient Funds Processing Fee: from \$15 to \$17. Estimated annual revenue \$60.

Parking Stall Use Permit: from \$10 to \$25. Estimated revenue \$8,125.

Delivery Vehicle License Fee: from \$15-\$50 to \$60. Estimated revenue \$15,700.

Passenger Transport Driver's Permit: from \$15 to \$15 plus a \$10 renewal fee; Estimated revenue \$300.

Residential Parking Permit: From \$4 to \$12. Estimated revenue \$9,000.

Fingerprinting Fee: from \$6 per card to \$14 plus \$7 for each additional card. Estimated revenue \$800.

False Alarms: \$15/\$25/\$35 to \$30/\$45/\$60. Estimated revenue \$15,000.

Towed Vehicle Fee: \$15 to \$45. Estimated revenue \$1,800.

Collection and Animal boarding Fee: \$8 to \$26. Estimated revenue \$2,340.

Travel Letter: \$5 to \$22.50. Estimated revenue \$90.

Report Photocopy Fee/Police and Fire: \$5 Fire, \$8 police to \$11 each. Estimated revenue \$2,000.

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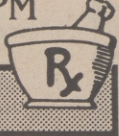
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Some Carmelites Would Lease Or Sell Murphy, Flanders, Rio Park

By Isabelle Hall

Fifty-nine of the 66 citizens who answered a city survey at the Carmel Town Hall budget meeting favor selling or leasing city property with First Murphy, Flanders Mansion and Rio Park topping the list.

Mayor Ken White tended to dismiss the results as too small to have any meaning. "If the economic condition of the city warrants us taking a one-time property sale, I might consider it but then you have to ask would you sell property for residential or commercial use?"

Asked if he thought Carmel owned too much property for a city its size, White said, "Twenty years from now people are going to say we did a good job. In the long term, the peninsula will grow and open space will be a great buffer."

Forty of those answering the survey favored getting rid of First Murphy Park, 39 put Flanders Mansion first and 38 would sell or lease Rio Park. Twenty-seven people said they would sell the three residential lots on Martin Road south of Flanders Mansion, 24 listed Vista Lobos, 19 Picadilly Park and one each recommended getting rid of City Hall and Sunset Center and consolidating the Fire Department with adjacent fire districts outside the city.

The city has spent a total of \$367,222 on First Murphy Park, including building new washrooms and landscaping. Volunteers spent about \$100,000 renovating the little cottage built by the city's master builder M.J. Murphy in 1907 for his mother and sisters. It now houses the volunteer members of the Historical Survey under the direction of Enid Sales and is held open weekdays by volunteers.

"It was a turkey," Mayor Ken White said when asked about Flanders Mansion which the city purchased in 1972 for \$275,000.

In drastic need of repairs, he said, "To get it into good condition was to be a real expense." So the City Council was delighted to sign a \$1 a year lease for 99 years with the Carmel Historical Society which plans to raise the money to retrofit and remodel the house. It anchors 35-acre Mission Trail Park and the Rowntree Arboretum.

The 6.5-acre Rio Park is the last piece of property purchased by the city which paid \$1.75 million for the land Jan. 1, 1990. After paying off some \$460,000 of the debt to lower its debt service costs last year, the city still owes about \$1 million on it. The city owes another \$3,428,015 for Vista Lobos, including Certificates of Participation, according to

Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davenport. The former lumberyard was acquired in 1988 for \$2.5 million. The city pays about \$700,000 a year for total debt service.

A total of 70 registered voters answered the survey which was handed out after the town meeting when City Administrator Jere Kersnar told residents about the city's plight and presented a lot of options for coping with the economic situation.

More than half of the people said they would be willing to cut these services listed in order of preference:

- Animal Control
- Sidewalk cleaning
- Forest Theater activities
- Recreation programs
- Forest Hill Park public restroom maintenance
- City Cultural programs
- Police-fire after-hours office walk-in
- Municipal Code Enforcement in residential districts.

Twenty-four people said they would cut municipal code enforcement in the commercial district; 20 would cut gardening activities and parks maintenance

and tree care; 19, street maintenance, parking enforcement and weekday library hours.

A third or more of the survey respondents said they would be willing to pay for:

- Forest replenishment
- Forest Theater activities
- Recreation programs
- City Cultural programs

Twenty people would be willing to pay for weekend library hours; 19, tree care and gardening activities and parks maintenance; 18 weekday library hours; 16 evening library hours and children's library reading programs and services; 14 library reference and information services; 12 street cleaning and 10 sidewalk cleaning.

Fifty two people said the private sector should pay the full cost of using city facilities while 16 said no. Forty-seven favored basing fees for city services on actual cost while 21 said no. Forty said the city should contract for municipal services while 22 said no. Twenty-four were in favor of lengthening the public safety emergency response time from one minute to three minutes while 52 were opposed.

Nieman Protests Budget Impact On Residents and Business

Howard Nieman, a former planning commissioner and self-styled watchdog of city government, protested to Mayor Ken White that the city's proposed \$7 million budget will hurt residents and business.

In an eight-page letter, Nieman dissected the budget, saying, "Further time is needed to study the potential impacts of new taxes and fees on residents and business alike. The council cannot afford to reduce the competitiveness of our business district or risk reducing city revenues from the business community (which account for some 71 percent of city revenues)."

He said no taxes or fees should be imposed until after user fees are charged to non-residents who use such city facilities as Harrison Memorial Library, Sunset Center and recreation programs, and every service is reviewed for cost reduction.

He said of the various proposals:

• **Pay Parking:** The \$50,000 in revenue included in the budget for "an as yet undeveloped and non-public commercial district parking plan is 'unrealistic.' Pay parking 'may have a significant, adverse impact on the level on business activity in the commercial district and could reduce sales tax and business license revenues to the city.'"

• **Taxes on Rental Income:** "The proposed 1 percent tax on residential and commercial rental income amounts to a city-mandated rent increase. At a time when the business district is in the midst of a serious recession, county unemployment is near 20 percent and there is concern over the survivability of many local businesses, the imposition of a tax on rental income (which will be borne by tenants, not property owners) seems wrong...Imposing a tax on residential rentals impacts many of our resident employees...senior citizens and others on limited or fixed incomes."

• **Resident User Fees:** "Many user fees are being increased by over 100 percent based on undocumented increases in the city's cost of providing the service. The Police Department fee for a fingerprint card of \$14 is based on 1993/94 costs of \$14.01. Last year the cost was \$6.28."

• **Cal-Am Franchise Fee:** "The proposed 2 percent franchise fee on Cal-Am Water Co. will be passed on to the consumer through higher utility rates. This is another tax in disguise."

Nieman suggested these alternatives:

• Combine the Public Works, Beach and Forest and Recreation Departments.

• Charge the 10,000 non-residents who use the city library for the full cost of services.

• Establish separate non-profit corporations to run Harrison Memorial Library and Sunset Center.

• Eliminate all subsidies for events at Sunset Center, including Performance Carmel and charge all center events and users fees reflecting the true cost.

• Postpone the proposed 4 percent pay raise for re-evaluation using a Total Compensation Index including cash plus city insurance, retirement benefits and days off.

• Increase medical deductibles from \$100 to \$250 a year.

• Question the budget of \$34,000 for City Council members, up from \$25,000 last year, when city board and commission members receive nothing for their service.

• Review every department to see what functions could be contracted out.

• Do a cost comparison of city functions versus those in private industry.

• Implement a cost accounting system to track employee and departmental time and materials on a per job or project basis.

• Reduce city commissions and committees which require staff time and resources.

Jepson Predicts Budget Hikes Will Hit Business Hard

Toni Jepson, executive director of the Carmel Business Association, said everything she sees in the proposed Carmel budget "is going to hit business even harder when one of the problems the city is having aside from the state takeaways is that business is down."

She said she thought the only exception might be a proposal for paid parking "because that is better than giving out tickets. At least people will have had the opportunity to buy more time."

But Jepson said a tax of 1 percent on rental income "is going to be passed directly on to the small business person."

And, she said the proposed 25 cent tax on admission fees "are unbelievable." She said she understood that all of the five or six California cities that have passed such a tax have since rescinded it. As far as charging tour buses a \$5 an hour fee, she said, "It's just chasing business away. Buses are going to go to the Crossroads and the Barnyard. They're not going to come into Carmel."

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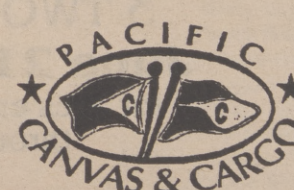
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Coastal Commission Staff Recommends Denial of Mill Creek Approval Appeals

The staff of the California Coastal Commission recommended denial of appeals challenging the approval of a nine-space trailhead public parking facility at the 1,340 acre Mill Creek Preserve off Palo Colorado Road in Big Sur.

No substantial issue exists to prevent construction of the parking lot, according to the staff report which was to be presented Wednesday at a commission meeting in San Rafael.

For the past 10 years, development of the site about five miles east of Highway 1 in Big Sur has been a bone of contention between the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District and some Palo Colorado Canyon residents.

The park paid \$1.3 million for 1,160 acres of the preserve in 1989 and \$120,000 for 184 acres adjacent to it in 1985.

Local residents who appealed construction of the lot said the Mill Creek Preserve should be designated as a wildlife sanctuary. Their appeals noted the proposed development was in conflict with the privacy of local residents which should be protected.

But the Coastal Commission staff report noted the Big Sur Land Use Plan advocated the public acquisition of the site for the express purpose of "recreation and aesthetic enjoyment."

The acreage is mountainous, heavily forested and lacks any substantial area of level land. A major fire shut down logging operations in the area in 1944, but in the early 1980s, the Philo Lumber Co. received

approval to harvest timber. To prevent the logging, the park district, working with the Big Sur Land Trust, bought the property with Proposition 70 funds and the Packard Foundation's assistance, subsequently selling to the park district.

Gary Tate, park district general manager, said following expected Coastal Commission approval, work would start on the preserve, and it might ready to open a year from now.

The permit has 46 conditions which have to be met, Tate said. The parking lot will be built alongside an old logging trail off Palo Colorado Road about five miles east of Highway 1.

Complaints about the plan were filed with the Coastal Commission by Ralph Channell, Dona Nye and Alexandra Allman.

The Monterey County Planning Commission denied the project Nov. 18, 1992. But the Board of Supervisors overruled it and approved the project Feb. 6, 1993. The Planning Commission cited the narrowness of Palo Colorado Road and other concerns in turning down the park district's application.

Conditions incorporated by the supervisors include closing the preserve during periods of critical fire hazard, a visitor limit of 25 per day and use by reservation only.

Plans for the site include a water tank with 500 gallons storage capacity, a public restroom, a septic system, a 8 x 20 office trailer and a fire suppression system with two 10,000-gallon tanks.

Zoning Apparently Ekes Through

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landlords who are carrying people through this recession. It's not fair to label them as villains."

Lindsay Hanna, the only member of the Planning Commission to actively campaign, said, "It's not over yet. My guess is it's more than 20. I think we're in a wait and see thing. I've always thought it was going to be close because you've got two very active groups at work, so this does not surprise me. As to who controls the town, it's a draw."

Wright said, "I think it's hard to say how this will affect future politics in Carmel. I think that's yet to be played out. Certainly it has a bearing." Asked if any of the opposition leaders had plans to run for office in the future, he said, "Everybody was focused on this election. I didn't hear anybody talk about that."

Asked about his future involvement, Eastwood said, "Maybe it's time for everybody to group together. We've only had Ken White as mayor for a little over a year. We ought to give him a chance. He worked hard on the ordinance. It was passed by a majority. We should have government by

our elected officials. Right now they're not giving the guy much of a chance. I believe in supporting Mr. White and the majority of the council whoever they might be."

Small Business Group Is Concerned

A group of small businessmen fearful of the numerical limits in Carmel's new commercial zoning ordinance plan to work for their removal.

Jim Genone of Jewelry Atelier said there was a group of 58 small business people who would be affected by the limits in the ordinance on such uses as jewelry stores. He said the group had been told that such restraints put on business were unconstitutional and had not held up in other cities where they were imposed.

"We will get proper legal guidance if the city doesn't make changes," Genone said once it is determined if the ordinance was approved in Tuesday's election. "We have no issue with most of the material in the ordinance."

Working Partner Joins Weekly Sun

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the years. His great-grandfather Dr. J. D. B. Stillman, established the first hospital in what was then called Sacramento City. An account of the role it played in treating cholera victims can be found in the acclaimed book on the gold rush by Carmel's Jim Holliday, *The World Rushed In*.

Having come West from his upstate New York home with other 49ers, Dr. Stillman formed a lifelong association with such other California pioneers as Leland Stanford, Charles Crocker, Collis Huntington, J. Ross Brown and Mark Hopkins. Also a journalist, he contributed regularly to the early California periodical, *The Overland Monthly*. Among other events, he chronicled the driving of the golden spike at Promontory Point and wrote a book about his travels to and from and experiences in California, entitled *Seeking the Golden Fleece*.

"What I hope to do at the Sun is build on the reputation and credibility the Halls have created for it over the past three years," Stillman said. "I think my experience and skills complement theirs in many ways, and I hope the result will be a stronger newspaper, more valuable to both

readers and advertisers."

He noted that he had begun his journalism career working for a weekly newspaper group in Connecticut. "Community newspapers will continue to be one of the viable sectors of print journalism," he predicted.

"Even in these days of electronic revolution," he added, speaking from his experience in electronic news publishing, "nothing will ever take the place of your home town paper."

Stan Hall said he hoped Stillman would "shore up some of the areas where Isabelle and I don't have that much experience. He's also organized, deliberate and disciplined, and he believes like we do, that a newspaper is not just something to wrap ads around, but is important for the information it provides to the community."

The Halls have owned the Sun for nearly four years, having purchased it from Dick Heuer of Carmel Valley in 1989 when it was operated as a bi-weekly. The Halls have operated it as a weekly since September of 1990.

It publishes 11,000 copies each Thursday, distributing them for free pickup at more than 150 points in Carmel, Carmel Valley, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Pebble Beach and down the Big Sur coast.

Publisher's Statement—Stanley Stillman

By family and career I am a newsman. When I moved to Carmel a year ago, I naturally took an interest in the local newspapers. The Sun soon attracted my attention. I told my wife "this paper does a really fine job of reporting local news. We should subscribe." Checking with our personal friends in the community, I found a remarkable number agreed with me. Working out of town at the time, I took out a subscription within a matter of weeks of our arrival. Like the growing number of other Sun readers I have now met and keep meeting, I haven't missed an issue since.

Reporting the truly newsworthy events and developments of a community, regardless of size, the craft that is called journalism, presents many challenges. To publish "a vessel of truth," as the founder of a news publication I once worked and wrote for put it, is the most difficult of these. For journalists have rarely spent any time practicing in the areas they cover. Their calling is to observe.

Having covered my own share of news stories against both daily and weekly deadlines, I can say with some authority and experience that few papers match the Sun in covering its community. Few editors match Stan and Isabelle Hall in experience and dedication to the journalism calling. But I am pleased to state that my objective as the Sun's co-publisher will be to do for the advertising and circulation departments of the paper what they have done for the editorial.

Stanley Stillman

Jeffers' Poetry and Irish Myths Offered

The link between the poetry of Irishman William Butler Yeats and Carmelite Robinson Jeffers will be explored at a program June 18 at 7:30 p.m., Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel.

Taelen Thomas, Carmel bard and biographical dramatist, will read Jeffers and Yeats and offer tidbits of Irish history, myths, legends, music, humor and philosophy during a program called, "A Lively Evening in Ireland with Jeffers, Una and Yeats."

Una, who was Jeffers wife, called Yeats, "my pet," and Jeffers who shared her admiration of the poet built a tower on

Carmel Point patterned after Yeats' tower home in Ireland.

Elayne Wareing Fitzpatrick, a Carmel Valley writer and humanities teacher at Monterey Peninsula College, will read from the diaries on Ireland written by Una Jeffers.

The Tor House Foundation has planned a travel/study trip to Ireland from Sept. 16 to Oct. 1.

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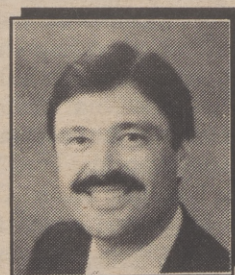
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\$11.1 Million Paid to Save Point Lobos Ranch

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Hudson said he had heard that Fifth District Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman would not approve a hotel for the property. "We were led to believe the only way to get permits would be to forget the hotel."

Strasser Kauffman denied she ever spoke about refusing a hotel. "No, I would never say that, and my staff does not talk that way. I have always supported property rights."

But she said Hudson may have had that impression because she spoke strongly about the water and traffic impacts the development would cause. She said Caltrans had said the Highway 1 would have to be double-decked to accommodate the traffic.

"I hope nothing at this point will detract from a very happy celebration," she said. "It is a joyful resolution of a difficult issue."

The land use plan for the ranch which was adopted prior to her time "was less than what people deserved," she said.

But Hudson said he doesn't know if the public was well-served by the process. If the land had been developed, only about 5 per cent of the property would have been built on, he said. "The rest would have gone to the State Parks for free."

The public would not have had to pay for the acquisition, and the local fire department would have received more tax, he said. The way it is now, the public will pay for the land, and it will be taken off the tax roles, he said.

After more than four years of negotiations, the Big Sur Land Trust said it entered into an arrangement to buy the property and will lease it to the state for public use for 10 years. With Proposition 117 funds—the so-called mountain lion initiative—the state will purchase a 475 acre parcel in 1997, 703 acres in 2000 and 134 acres in 2003.

An initial \$1.2 million payment was made last week at the close of escrow, and the second is due in October, Executive Director Brian Steen of the land trust told *The Sun*.

The deal represents considerable risks for the land trust, according to its president, Max Chaplin. "It was a sobering consideration for the Big Sur Land Trust."

If Proposition 117 funds get held up in budget gridlock in the legislature, the land trust has arranged for a \$1.2 million loan when the first payment on the ranch is due in October. Steen declined to say if the line of credit was through a bank or a private individual.

Chaplin noted that even though Proposition 117 funds have been approved, the state is required to approve their disbursement each year and that could be delayed. If so, money will be borrowed so the sellers can receive their payment when it is due, Steen said.

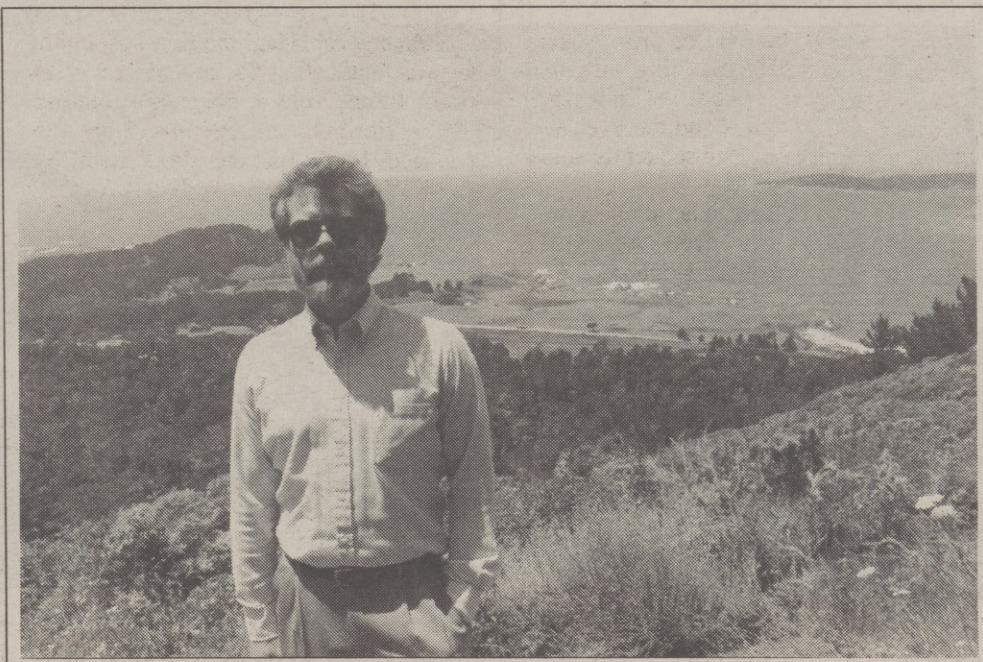
Chaplin said the sellers have borrowed money on the property which has to be repaid in order for the sale to go through.

The lease gives the state the option to cancel, prepay or handle the acquisition "any way they want to do it," Chaplin said. But Steen said the probability of the state cancelling out of the lease is "very, very low. The state has had a long-standing interest in the property," he said.

If it should happen, the land trust would have to raise the funds, he said. With the purchase, the land trust has also become a landlord. Ten rental units are on the properties, and as part of the sale the land trust has agreed to continue leasing to the tenants until the state takes over ownership, Steen said.

During the news conference, with the sun resplendent on the meadow and the forested Michael's hill in the background, Don Murphy, director of the State Parks Department, declared, "We just gave back a piece of land to our children, grandchildren and all posterity."

"Rebirth, recreation and spiritual renewal" is what Point Lobos is all about, Murphy told the crowd. He urged each per-



BRIAN STEEN, executive director of the Big Sur Land Trust, gazes at the Point Lobos Ranch just purchased by the land trust. Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

son present to go to a quiet spot with a loved one before leaving Point Lobos Ranch to "feel the energy and sacredness of the land."

The two partnerships which own the land just across Highway 1 from Point Lobos are Rancho Chiquito and Jose Gibson California. Hudson told *The Sun* the Gibson partnership was owned by Ted Richter, Allan Hudson and himself and the heirs of their deceased brother, Dave. The Chiquito partnership includes his cousins, Mary Whisler and Betty Wilson, he said. Paul Davis, a Monterey architect, also had an interest in the ranch.

Some family members will retain ownership of their homesites along with a 110-acre parcel near the center of the ranch which is owned by Whisler and Wilson family trusts.

The partnerships proposed development of Point Lobos Ranch in July of 1990. But an immediate public outcry arose that the property should be preserved. Within six months, the owners then offered to sell it to any preservationist group which could buy it. At that time, there was a suggestion that the property was worth some \$24 million.

Larry Horan, attorney for the owners, said "from the moment the development application was filed, it became crystal clear a number of people in the community wanted to look for a way to preserve it."

He said the proposed development "scrupulously adhered to the land use plan. However, many of you wanted to see the land remain as it was."

He was the one who called the plan to add the ranch property to the state holdings at Point Lobos and Monastery Beach "adding a wing to one of the greatest natural cathedrals on the planet."

John Hudson said his grandfather, A.M. Allan, came to the ranch to mine coal 100 years ago. He also recalled the days when the family opened Point Lobos to visitors before it was sold to the state in 1933.

"Our generation took over in the late 50s," he recalled. "It became obvious that agriculture would not continue to support the property. Thirty years ago, we started grappling with what to do with the property."

Zad Leavy, attorney for the land trust, said cooperation between the State Parks Department, attorneys and sellers "made an extremely complicated project doable." He added that the Big Sur Land Trust stepped in because "the public sector simply does not have funds to buy the property outright."

Murphy, who formerly was superintendent of the Big Sur park district, said the Parks Department will begin to develop a plan for passive use of the land. He said the name of the park will go before the State Parks Commission, and he encouraged the crowd to offer suggestions.

Judson Vandevere, a naturalist who worked at Point Lobos for eight summers, said purchase of the land will secure the preservation of Gowen Cypress on the

property. The cypress grow naturally in only two locations in the world—on the ranch and just inland from the Monterey Cypress which grow in Pebble Beach, he said.

Preservation of the property will greatly increase the acreage of peninsula maritime chaparral and Monterey pine, Vandevere said. Mountain lion, red tail hawks and raccoons all live on the property, Vandevere noted. He drew a laugh from the crowd when he said raccoon droppings indicated they have manzanita apples from the ranch for dinner and come to Point Lobos for a crab breakfast. The manzanita do not grow at Point Lobos, so he knew the raccoons were going back and forth across Highway 1, he said.

Steen introduced Margaret Owings, a Big Sur resident who is credited with winning approval of the so-called mountain lion initiative, as a preservationist who "has done more than any other one person to preserve the coast."

Owings, 80, recalled as a young child the meadow area of the ranch used to be "filled with plywood buildings." Thirty years of abalone processing took place on the property, she said.

"I hope mountain lions will be padding these pads in safety after dusk," she said.

Allan Hudson, John Hudson's older brother, told *The Sun* after the news conference that "having to let the property go even to the state is difficult. We all have so many memories here."

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Women Want to Create Innovative School for Carmel

By Carolyn Rice

Two Carmel women said they want to open a charter school for sixth, seventh and eighth graders with a maximum of 25 students per grade level, hoping it can be in operation by the 1994-95 school year under a plan to allow new approaches to education.

GINNY CONNELLY, who now operates the Tack Box, said she has taught in the Monterey School district and at Junipero Serra School and always wanted to start a school of her own. She said she has often thought, "I wish I had a school. I wish I could do it right." Her concern has been particularly for middle school aged students.

"So many kids weren't being reached," she said. "A lot of kids do get lost at middle school."

Connelly met another Carmel woman, Pam Kron-Davis, who is a business consultant for national companies. They talked and learned they had many of the same concerns about education. Kron-Davis said she wanted to apply the principles which she has learned work well in business to a school.

"We were thinking about starting a private school," Connelly said. "Just then we heard about charter schools."

In January of 1993, a new state law went into effect which allows 100 charter schools to be set up under the jurisdiction of local school boards. The charter schools are not subject to the same extensive educational codes which govern public schools, although state health and safety codes will still apply.

The thought behind the legislation is that charter schools could be more creative, innovative and flexible. School district funds can be used to finance the schools which must be approved by the local school



GINNY CONNELLY OF CARMEL hopes to start a charter school with Pam Kron-Davis, a business consultant who lives in Carmel. Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

board and then by the state.

The Carmel Unified School Board had a first reading of its charter school policy May 13 and will consider it for adoption at its May 27 meeting 7 p.m. at Bay School.

School officials have said they are receptive to charter schools but indicated specific guidelines would have to be in place before the school board could approve one. If the local board turned down a proposal, the applicants could appeal to the Monterey County Office of Education, according to Rosemary Montgomery, assistant superintendent.

"It's not easy to open a new school," Montgomery said. Curriculum, insurance, finances and teachers all have to be in place, she said. "It's a complicated

situation. Anyone who's serious about it, I give them credit."

Montgomery said the Connelly/Kron-Davis proposal is the only document she has received, but she has had phone calls from other individuals interested in the concept.

Connelly and Kron-Davis decided they would both individually write a proposal for a charter school and then compare thoughts.

"Sure enough, we were both thinking the same things," Connelly said.

Their proposal calls for classroom work in the morning and an afternoon program which includes field trips, involvement with local businesses and gardening. "Parents I have talked to have said, 'You're going to have a waiting list. It's like a

private school for free,'" Connelly said.

Students would be accepted on a first come, first served basis, she said.

Past educational processes have been based on the premise "the more the children can know and the more information we can give them, the better educated and prepared to contribute to the world they will be," their proposal states.

The problem has been, according to the two women, teachers become driven to complete a curriculum set out by others, and students become dull and disenchanted as they try—or give up trying—to cram more into their brains.

"The creative and innovative powers of the mind remain underdeveloped in this type of inundation process," they contend.

Kron-Davis and Connelly said they advocate a school that is oriented to the thinking powers of the mind.

Although not geared specifically to low achievers, the women said they hope to intercept students who have low achievement patterns and turn them around before they enter high school.

Parents will be required to donate 10 hours per month to the school—five hours if a single parent. They can chaperon field trips, invite students to their workplace or assist in the classroom to fulfill the obligation.

Ideally, the school would be housed in a large, rental home on an acre of land, Connelly said. Teacher's salaries and benefits would be the same as other school district employees, and teachers from within the district who are attracted to the program would be given preference in hiring.

Nine other groups statewide have applied to create charter schools as of March, Montgomery said.

Strawberry Festival Is Saturday at Chapel

An all-day pancake breakfast will kick off the sixth annual Strawberry Festival at the Carmel Valley Community Chapel Saturday in Carmel Valley Village.

Hours are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and in addition to the pancakes, the fundraiser will feature homemade desserts, hot dogs, baked potatoes, a bake sale, game booths and music.

Grace Darcy is chair of the event this year. Other members of the organizing committee include Dusty Brewster, Andrew Capestro, Kristen Carlson, Marilyn Evans, Martha and Robert Moynihan, Aelene Oslin, Jonathan Pugh and Sally and William Salmon.

Valley Little League Schedules Bake Sale

Saying the program is very short of funds this year, supporters of Carmel Valley Little League scheduled a bake sale for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the ball park in Carmel Valley Village Saturday. "Please help support our league," said Cindy Thatcher, announcing the fundraising effort.



CHILDREN FROM CAROL Covell's kindergarten class gather around a quilt they collectively made to present to her. Covell leads the effort at Tularcitos School to collect

pennies to save South American rainforests. The quilt depicts the rainforest. Sun photo by Carol Davis

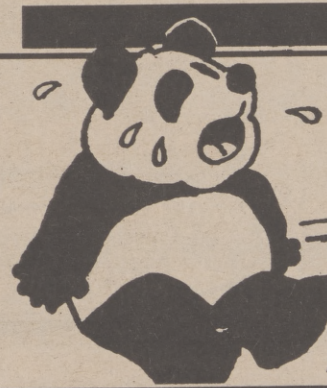
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Jimmy Hatlo Recalled as Hard-Working Carmel Cartoonist

By Carolyn Rice

"I won him as a door prize."

Peppy and petite, Eleanor Lusignan of Pebble Beach, who was married to peninsula cartoonist Jimmy Hatlo from 1937 until his death in 1963, recalled how a winning raffle ticket led to her becoming Mrs. Jimmy Hatlo.

A charming woman who said she exercises three times a week and takes a photography class at the Carmel Foundation, Lusignan said she didn't want to divulge her age. "Just call me an old lady," she joked.

On a recent sunny day with Point Lobos in view out her living room window, Lusignan told *The Sun* about the years she spent with the creator of *They'll Do It Every Time*, *Little Iodine*, *Hatlo's History* and *Hatlo's Inferno*. Hatlo's cartoons ran in about 800 newspapers in this country, Europe, Japan, Mexico and Canada.

The Hatlos lived in Carmel from 1945 to 1951 at what is now the Tally Ho Inn. Lusignan said when they bought it from Carmel resident Tirey Ford, it was a weekend cottage. Noted Carmel builder Hugh Comstock enlarged it for them. "He offered us the cottage, tennis courts and Lobos Lodge for \$85,000, but Jimmy didn't want to be in the hotel business," she said.

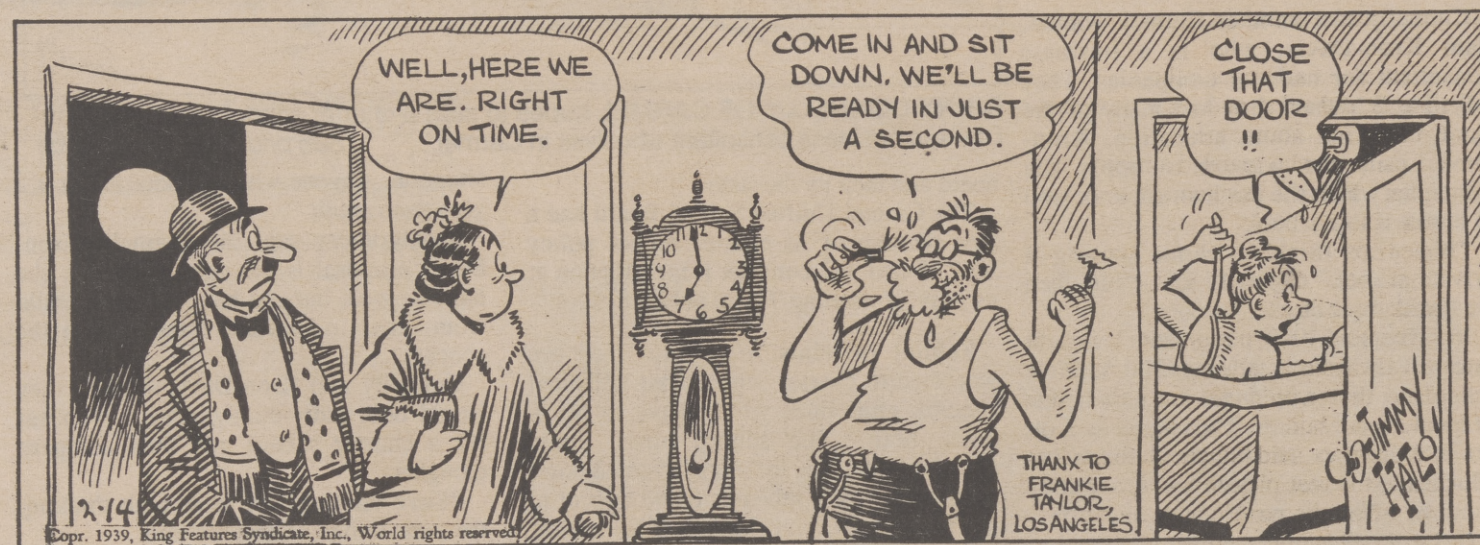
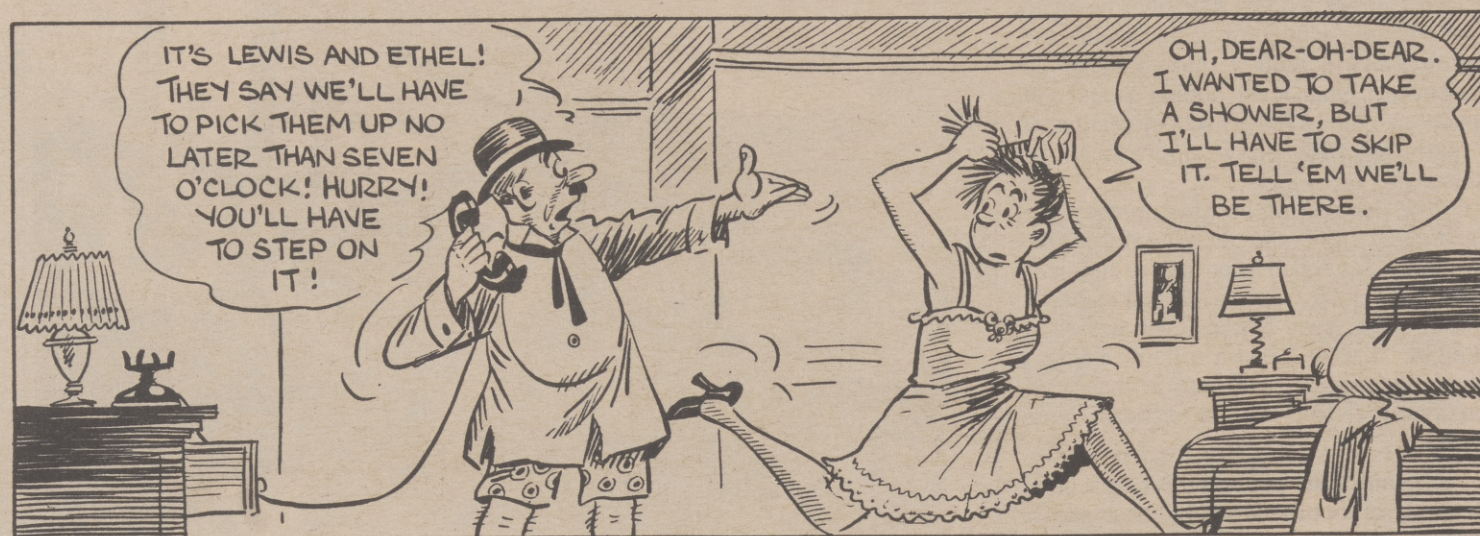
They did want the tennis courts below the home for a play area for their young son, James Bradley Hatlo.

Later, they lived in a 14-room home on three acres at the 13th hole of the Pebble Beach Golf Course. They named both the Carmel and Pebble Beach home Wits End. Lusignan said the remodeling of the Carmel home was done right after World War II, and they had many frustrations trying to find materials for the project.

Before becoming a cartoonist, Hatlo had been the automobile advertising salesman and editor of the automotive section for the *Call-Bulletin* which used to be an evening paper in San Francisco.

He had been submitting cartoons to the editor, and when the paper's cartoonist died, the editor asked him if he would fill a panel.

Lusignan wasn't certain what year he became a fulltime cartoonist, but she said he was asked to join the Bohemian Club in 1926 which had artists as members. "So he



LENGTHEN SLIP AND CLOSE DOOR MORE were notes penciled onto this 1939 Jimmy Hatlo *They'll Do It Everytime* cartoon. Eleanor Lusignan who was married to Hatlo until

his death in 1963 recalled how he was a perfectionist with his work and seldom took time to relax. The Hatlos moved to Carmel in 1945 and lived in what is now the Tally Ho Inn.

must have been well known for his cartooning by then." Hatlo kept cartooning throughout his life until about 10 days before his death in 1963, Lusignan said.

During the '30s, football games were a consuming pastime for San Franciscans, and Hatlo started drawing half-page football cartoons for the paper.

Lusignan said they were intricate creations which depicted stands full of fans and the football players who each had their own nickname. She said when the *Call-Bulletin* folded they were living in New York City, and Hatlo was not able to retrieve any of those first cartoons.

Lusignan said her path crossed with Hatlo's as the result of a door prize. She had come to San Francisco to visit her sister. "I worked for an advertising agency in Ohio which had Greyhound Bus as a client. We could get free tickets, so a friend and I took off on a trip." Lusignan said while visiting her sister, she paid a call on the San Francisco branch of her advertising agency and was offered a job.

One day she attended an advertising club luncheon at the Palace Hotel. "They were giving out door prize tickets. First prize was tickets to the Cal-Stanford game. Second prize was tickets to another game and

third prize was a Hatlo cartoon."

Lusignan said she didn't know anything about Hatlo and was disappointed she hadn't won tickets to one of the football games. "But the men in my office told me I was lucky." Hatlo's office was in the same building where she worked. She stopped by his office to pick up the cartoon.

"He autographed it with India ink which you can't blot and so we chatted while it dried." Hatlo asked her if she was going to the football game that weekend, and she said no, she didn't have tickets, so Hatlo invited her to join him in the press box.

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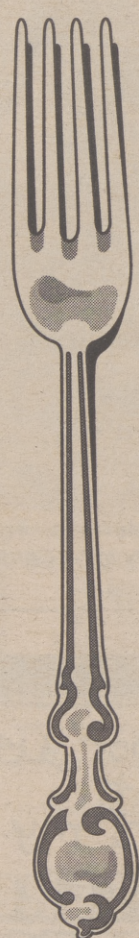
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Cartoonist

The Hatlos were married in 1937. They moved to New York City in 1939. William Randolph Hearst owned the *Call-Bulletin* and King Features Syndicate. Hearst decided he wanted Hatlo to do cartooning for the King Features Syndicate. He started with *They'll Do It Everytime* and then created a strip called *Little Iodine* which was a character who had appeared frequently in the first strip.

The Hatlos also lived in a number of other locations including Florida, Lusignan said, "but Jimmy always liked to go back to New York City to recharge his creativity."

Her husband was a perfectionist, she said. "He would either work until 3 in the morning or get up at 3 a.m. to work." After they moved to Carmel, Hatlo's studio was upstairs at the Tally Ho. "I kind of had to be flexible."

"He ate at all hours," she said. "The only time he did relax and play was during the Crosby Golf Tournament."

Lusignan who married a peninsula pediatrician, Harry Lusignan, after Hatlo died, said Hatlo's perfectionist qualities sometimes upset her. "He would tear up cartoons I thought were perfectly beautiful. It would break my heart."

She said each cartoon took hours. "He was always getting a cartoon off on the last plane that would get into New York in time," she said.

Lusignan said since Hatlo worked at home, his real pleasure was going to clubs away from home. He was a member of the San Francisco Bohemian Club and Family Club and in New York City belonged to the Cartoonist Society and Illustrator's Club.

Damon Runyon, famed for *Guys and Dolls*, wrote the forward for a Hatlo book



ELEANOR LUSIGNAN SHOWED an invitation designed by Hatlo for one of the clubs to which he belonged. He also did calendars featuring his cartoons which they sent to friends at Christmas, she said. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

titled "They'll Do It Every Time."

"Hatlo's forte is mirroring everyday people," Runyon wrote. "He has marvelous insight into the minds of souls of people we all know... Hatlo pictures people as they are, not as they ought to be or as he imagines them."

"It is my opinion Hatlo is today one of the greatest cartoonists the newspaper business has ever produced. Certainly he is one of the most human, and humanness is the element that makes a fine cartoonist."

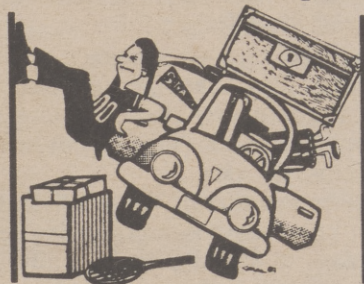
Lusignan said a charm she treasures is a

Hatlo hat. When he did the San Francisco football cartoons, the *Call-Bulletin* awarded a Hatlo hat to the football player of the week. Hers says, "Who cares who won the game. Hatlo won the gal."

She said she also liked the cartoon which ran for a short time called "Hatlo's Inferno."

"It was hilarious. The devils were also going after people with pitchforks for one thing or another. But I guess some religious people objected to it, and he stopped doing it."

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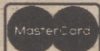
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Wild Boar, Sensor Studies Students Win Top Science Fair Prizes

A Carmel Valley student's curiosity about the impact of wild boar at Rancho San Carlos led him to capture the top prize statewide in the junior division of the California State Science Fair.

Ben Froke, 13, a seventh grade student at All Saints' Day School, came home with \$750 in prize money after competing with 807 junior and senior high school students from across the state.

Another area student, Bryan White, 18, a Robert Louis Stevenson graduating senior who plans to attend Stanford University won a \$10,000 college scholarship to be paid over a four-year period.

The award sponsored by the California Sea Grant was for a fiber-optic hydrophone sensor designed by White to measure animal noise, marine noise and ocean currents.

A tall blond, White said for the past year he has worked in the physics lab at the Naval Post Graduate School where David Brown was his mentor. He learned the techniques to build the sensor at the lab. White said he spent about 75 hours building the device which he has tested in a tank and hopes to test further at the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

White said he "was grilled by the judges for four hours," and could hardly talk afterwards as he had laryngitis going into the competition.

Froke's question was whether the diggings of wild boars which root in the ground with their snouts and tusks for acorns and other food attracted birds. "Well, I thought they might," the serious, blond-

haired, green-eyed youth said.

The 332 judges who examined the projects on exhibit at the Los Angeles Sports Arena May 26 were looking for students who could really explain their projects. They were dubious about giving awards to students who had not done their own work, Froke said.

"I think they liked my project because it was field work, I knew what I was talking about, and it was a new idea. It had never been done before," Froke said.

He went to Rancho San Carlos where his father, Jeff Froke, is the wildlife conservation manager, and observed during 28 15-minute observation periods how the birds reacted to boar rootings. The ranch has a boar population of 400 to 500, he said.

Comparing seven diggings to nearby plots not dug up by the boars, Froke concluded that wild boar do create a habitat for birds to feed in.

Froke said the wild boar which were originally from Europe were brought to Rancho San Carlos by George Gordon Moore in 1924. He brought them from another holding he had in North Carolina.

Foresters dislike boars, Froke noted, because they think their rooting may be destructive to oak forests, eventually causing them to be replaced by a birch or fir forest.

Froke said he has been interested in birds, "probably since I've been able to talk. Dad's been a birder all his life. I just grew up doing it."

Brewer's blackbird, killdeer, American robin, dark-eyed junco, Western bluebird, lesser goldfinch, Northern flicker, yellow-rumped Warbler, scrub jay and wild turkey are some birds Froke observed foraging in the boar's rootings. The birds all seem to use open grasslands and pastures for feeding, he said.

"I have read and heard that boars are destructive animals. By watching the boar and birds on the ranch, I have begun to think that the boars may be helpful to birds by creating foraging habitat," Froke wrote in his report. "My experiment is important because now people may understand boar better and not think of them as just pests and game animals. My experiment supports my hypothesis, and it shows that boar rootings can be good for other wildlife and not all bad by providing birds with feeding habitat."



BRYAN WHITE, a Pebble Beach resident, won \$10,000 at the California State Science Fair for his fiber-optic hydrophone sensor. Carmel Valley resident Ben Froke, below, won first place in the middle school competition for his research on whether wild boar rootings attract birds.

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Armin Hansen: Works on Paper

Armin Hansen's paintings are far more known and admired than his etchings and other works on paper. His paintings are large and bold color; his etchings are small and black and white. But he is equally adept at the one as the other. They are different reflections of his considerable artistic talent.

I thought it might be helpful to the understanding of the breadth of Hansen's talent if, for this second review of the La Mirada extension of the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art, (MPMOA), I spend some time explaining printmaking.

In the middle of the Theilne and John McCone Gallery which houses the Hansen collection of works on paper stands an etching press. It looks like a relic of another age but the principle of the etching press from long before that one was made to those used now has not changed.

Very simply, the press has two main rollers placed one above the other with a flat metal bed that travels between the rollers. This sort of press is used for drypoint, line engraving, etching and even the lithograph, although where I studied art we had a separate press for the heavy litho stones. I did use the etching press for woodblock prints.

The press is adjustable for varying heights. First the bed is wheeled to one end so that the inked plate can be laid face up on it. Then the dampened printing paper is laid very carefully on top of the plate and several felt blankets are placed on top of this. The height is adjusted and the plate is "run" through the press. The metal bed carries the plate between the two rollers. The top roller compresses the felt blankets which force the paper into the grooves in the plate. The moisture in the paper helps "suck" the ink from the etched or engraved lines.

That is a simple mechanical process. What is more difficult, meticulous, and wherein lies the craft and the art is in the actual working of the plate. I mentioned several different ways to work a metal plate: drypoint, line engraving and etching, all represented by Hansen in this collection.

Lithography is a process of etching in stone. It is a wonderful medium! And it is not to be confused or demeaned by the commercial sham of taking a painting reproducing it a zillion times and having the "artist" sign and number them and call them lithographs.

I'll get back to metal plates but I wish to describe how Hansen and others produced

the genuine lithograph. The word for lithography comes from the Greek and means "stone writing." The artist draws directly on great limestones quarried in the the stones is an arduous but loving physical labor.

The limestone when first quarried is soft and slightly porous and accepts grease and water equally well. The process of preparing the stone is called two stones together—by hand: lots of water and elbow grease continuously sliding one stone across another. This removes any previous greasy image, levels the stone and gives the stone a fresh, toothy texture to receive the drawing.

The artist is then ready to draw directly on the stone with a litho crayon which comes in varying levels of hardness, soft crayons giving coarse texture, the hard ones sharp. The artist can achieve the finest whisper of tonality and the most intense area of color.

After drawing, the stone must then be brushed with an acid solution. This is called etching the stone. Remember though, the drawing is on the surface of the stone—there are no cuts into the stone. Now, when the stone is inked, only the grease marks will receive the ink. The dexterity of line that Hansen was able to achieve using lithography in "Boat Yard" is worth noting.

I could spend pages on each of these wonderful printmaking media but I'll try to just give you the gist. Back to metal plates: dry point—using a hard pointed tool the artist scratches directly into the plate to create the image, grooving the metal and raising a burr. The resulting print has a characteristically soft heavy line. "Lampara" is a fine example of Hansen's drypoint, a beautiful rich linear design of boat and net floats.

The engraved line is characterized by sharp infinitely crisp detail. Tonalities are achieved by engraving parallel lines close together or by intersecting them (hatching and cross-hatching). It is also done directly into the metal.

Etching on the other hand does not touch the metal. A gooey ground which is acid-resistant is brushed on the metal and the artist draws into the ground just enough to bare the plate where he wishes his drawing to be. He then places the plate in an acid bath for a certain length of time, then removes it and draws away more of the ground. When it is returned to the acid bath, the newly drawn lines become etched



"OFF FOR THE NIGHT CATCH" by Armin Hansen won a silver medal at the Panama Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco in 1915.

by the acid and the previous ones become deeper yet, and so on for as many "bites" as he wishes.

Notice in Hansen's "Montereyans," "Up for Repairs" and "Up Channel" the variety of value in the line. You can tell by the darkness which marks he made first which received more of the acid.

I wish to end my double review of Armin Hansen with a story which took place at the MPMOA about six years ago when they hung a show of his work there. Two women were in the gallery at the time I was there, talking loudly one to the other: "Why I could have bought one of these paintings years ago for \$300 but how was I to know they were good!" How indeed.

Local Artists Exhibit Works

Work by Carmel artist Ken Wiese will be on exhibit at the Monterey College of Law, 404 Franklin Street, Monterey, through Aug. 1. Also, the photographic works of Richard Garrod will be on display.

The gallery is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Wiese carves wood and stone and works in welded steel, cast metals, resin and ceramics. He has lived in Carmel for 40 years and taught in the Carmel Unified School District for 35 years.

Garrod, a Monterey resident, has taught photography workshops for 20 years and has exhibited in more than 50 shows.

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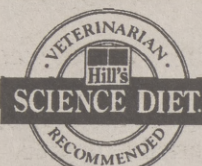
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OUT AND ABOUT

BY STAN HALL

There's a not-so-old song that goes, "Mommies, don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys."

I like the song, but don't agree with the sentiment. There are a lot worse things you can be than a cowboy, at least to my mind.

I grew up around cowboys.

Old men like Slim, a bachelor who always managed to bring me the first peach of summer off his lone tree when I was the only little boy in that whole end of the county. His tree grew down by the windmill where he could easily water it, and there were probably more little boys in that hard country than trees in those days.

Young men like Shirley, a top hand on the ranch next to us who gave in to drink when he finally realized that his skills were in rapidly diminishing demand. As helicopters replaced many quarterhorses and optical readers began to augment brands, he couldn't keep up with the changes.

Friends like Houston Bartlett, my former neighbor who now farms my place in Texas with the help of his sons. For years, Houston would eagerly hook a trailer behind his pickup and travel to highly competitive rope-offs on Sunday afternoons, while men half his age were resting. I saw him win lots of them, too.

I was never much of a cowboy myself, but I was always comfortable around them, and I admired most of them that I knew. I still do.

From the time I got my first pony even before I went to school, I nearly always had a horse. But by the time I was old enough to run my own cows, I depended more on my pickup. Maybe I got that from my grandad; he valued the old traditions, but he also told me time and time again: "Don't try to do everything yourself. Use your tractors and trucks and tools—they'll still be here after you're dead and gone."

Using the pickup, I had a simple routine for moving cattle from one pasture to another. I'd take a sack of cake in the pickup, drive a couple hundred yards in the direction I wanted them to go, honk the horn to get their attention and then show the sack to the cows. As they came running for the few pieces I would put out, I'd drive another couple of hundred yards farther and do the same thing over again.

Cake is what we called processed cottonseed meal which is formed into elongated pellets. The cattle loved it. I always fed enough through the year to those old cross-breed cows so that they would remember what it was when I appeared with my sack.

I used to kid Houston that I could take my pickup and a couple of sacks of cake and move those cows before he could get his horse saddled. He never said so, but I knew he thought I was taking an inappropriate short cut to cowboy-ing.

Like many cowboys, including some I've met around here, Houston was serious about trying to preserve old ranching skills and tradi-

tions—even if it sometimes meant taking longer to finish a job. While I had been taught to admire the old techniques and traditions, too, I guess I was in more of a hurry.

My earliest introduction to cowboy life came from my grandad's stories about when he and his brother first went to Texas. Just about all of the panhandle, where they bought land, had been part of the old XIT ranch, an English combine that flourished in the late 1880s. It was so big, the brand stood for ten counties in Texas.

When my grandad arrived with my great uncle Clarence, it was still mostly open range. There were no fences to speak of, and the roads across the sea of buffalo grass mostly followed old cow trails.

The town closest to the old home place is called Bovina—bespeaking its role as a one-time major railroad shipping point for XIT cattle. Originally, it had been called Bull Stop, but then somebody thought better of it.

The first time my grandfather saw Bovina, the Running Water Draw that runs beside it was filled with cattle as far as the eye could see, he used to recall. The draw, a V-shaped scar in an otherwise tabletop land, was used as a holding place for cattle waiting to be shipped. My grandad estimated there might have been as many as 10,000 head.

It was filled with cattle as far as the eye could see.

Over the years, movies, magazines and dime-novels have glorified the American cowboy, making him bigger than life. In contrast to the picture we have seen, the cowboy spent a rough, lonesome existence.

From what I know, little was glamorous about it. For the most part it was boring; the rare times it wasn't, it was usually dangerous. The pay was poor, the work was hard and the opportunities were limited.

But to my mind, the American cowboy does embody some legitimate characteristics we need to celebrate, some thinking we need to try to preserve. Maybe it's precisely because their lives were so hard that they all seemed to share these fundamental traits.

The first thing I think about is self-reliance. The cowboy's acceptance of the notion that he was responsible for his own welfare and well-being would be a welcome change in this day and age when at the first sign of trouble, many of us automatically think first of turning to Washington, Sacramento or this agency or that.

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Hand-in-hand with his self-reliance, the cowboy's independence was legendary. From what I've seen, this cowboy trait has not been overemphasized. Cowboys called 'em like they saw 'em—like it or not. I think many of them still do. Maybe it was because they were alone so much, but they were never uncomfortable with just their own company, either.

Finally, cowboys accepted full responsibility for their horses, the herd and the grass that sustained them all. Stewardship, we call it today. It was a caring that grew not out of textbook idealism but hard-headed pragmatism; it grew out of the understanding that if you didn't take care of the things that take care of you, some day you'd find yourself in trouble.

Cowboys are not the only friends I have who are independent, self-reliant and good stewards. But to my way of thinking, they share those three particular characteristics to a remarkable degree.

Maybe the cowboys who are working hard around here, like Houston does in Texas, to maintain the old skills and traditions are trying to preserve some of those old personality characteristics, too. I bet they are, and if that's right, I hope they succeed.

People who like cowboys will have a chance to remember them this week in Carmel Valley by spending a few hours reliving the old west and reveling in its legend and lore.

The Carmel Valley History Society is putting on the second annual California Cowboy Show, adding a dash of cowboy poetry and music on Friday night at Hidden Valley before the two-day show on the weekend at Community Park. In addition, Joe Wolter, Bill Askew and Bill Dorrance have scheduled another roping class at Fox Creek Ranch Friday morning.

I'm planning to spend as much time at these events as I can.

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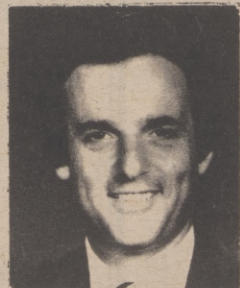
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TROWEL & HOE

BY MARK EATON

This exceptionally wet year has blessed us with the finest natural flower show in many years.

Forced to pick one type of plant as the leader of the parade, I would have to go with the beautiful native Matilija Poppy, botanically *Romneya coulteri*. The glorious display given by so many specimens throughout the area has been unparalleled. The extra moisture these and all plants have received has kicked their growth into high gear with bloom production to match.

Because of the wet, cool winter and spring, propagation has been difficult and healthy specimens in one gallon cans were hard to come by until just recently. They are available now, and it would be a good idea to get them planted before the weather turns too warm.

The Matilija Poppy, referred to by some as the "fried egg plant," an apt description but lacking any sense of poetry, is native to parts of the south central coast of Ventura County and other areas of Southern California. Matilija is a canyon in Ventura County from which the plant received its common name, but few wild plants remain in that area.

The best locations to see the plants in the wild are in Orange County and San Diego County. Some of our locally grown specimens are as good looking as can be found, so you can save yourself the trip.

Most gardeners are aware of the Matilija's reputation as a finicky plant when young, and one might suspect that it can handle only a narrow range of growing conditions. It is in fact surprisingly adaptable and will handle everything from extended drought and scorching sun to ample rainfall and frequently overcast skies. Gardeners grow it up the west coast into Seattle and Vancouver, and the always enterprising British have been raising it in their homeland for over a century. It is hardy to about five degrees fahrenheit.

The overriding key to success is minimal root disturbance when transplanting. Like a bougainvillea, it will not tolerate having its rootball disturbed during planting. One way to accomplish this is to place the plant still in its plastic nursery can directly into the hole with a few extra holes punched in the bottom of the can in order to avoid breaking tender new roots. The roots will find a way through the holes.

If this method isn't to your liking and you want to take the plant out of the can then place it on its side and very gently slide it out. Place it in the hole which has been enriched with a good planting mix so it will sit at a level a tad higher than the surrounding soil. When following this pro-

cedure, act like you have a container of nitro-glycerine in your hands.

I don't mean to alarm you, after all they can't be that tough to grow—look at the beauties throughout Carmel Valley. It's just that the initial transplanting phase truly is a delicate operation and should be treated as such.

Be aware that the Matilija requires plenty of room and good drainage; it's not a plant for a small courtyard garden. The stalks can reach a mature height of between four to eight feet and the plant spreads by underground runners and can colonize an area a dozen or more feet in diameter. If you see spring shoots coming out of the ground in an off-limits area, you can simply prune with a shovel and that will take care of it. They'll continue to put out additional sprouts from the soil but they are not in the same league with running varieties of bamboo, and won't be nearly the nuisance.

Keep them well watered but not too wet through the first summer and cut back all stems close to the ground in late fall. You'll never have to water them again if so desired, but additional regular to occasional irrigation will make for a prolonged bloom season and a more handsome plant. Don't bother with chemical fertilizer, it may do more harm than good. A light mulch of compost as a top dressing will help with the plant's progress.

Get 'em while they're hot! Matilija Poppies are difficult to propagate, and nurseries never seem to have enough. This time of year with the bloom season at its peak, sales can be brisk. You don't want to miss out on your very own plantation of Matilija Poppy, the most magnificent of California natives.

Mark Eaton is a partner in Carmel Valley's Begonia Gardens Nursery.



MATILIJ POPPY, *Romneya coulteri*, is one of the most spectacular native California flowers. Named for a canyon in Ventura County, it is now rare in the wild. Photo courtesy The Pacific Horticulture Book of Western Gardening

Three School Board Seats Up in November

Three Carmel school board seats will be up for election Nov. 2. Frank Pinney, Patricia Herro and Daniel Hightower will all complete their terms.

Pinney and Hightower said they plan to run again. Herro said she is undecided whether to run for another term.

Two four-year positions and one two-year position are to be filled. Candidates must file at the County Election Department between July 12 and Aug. 6.

Hightower was appointed by the board to complete the term of Hilton Bialek who resigned.

Mary Wright to Head Local State Park Unit

Mary Wright of Big Sur, deputy director of the State Parks and Recreation Department, has been named superintendent of the recently consolidated Monterey and Big Sur districts.

Her appointment was announced by State Director Donald W. Murphy. She will assume the post June 30 when Bill Fait retires as superintendent.

The consolidated districts include 23 park units comprised of state beaches, state reserves, state parks and state historical units. Wright served as superintendent of the Monterey district from 1983 until 1992 when she was appointed deputy director under Murphy.

NEW BABIES

Tyler Matthew, son, born to Susan and Dennis Passey, 4/18, Carmel Valley.

MacAllister Lee, son, born to Jennifer and Ward Crane, 4/21, Monterey, grandparents: Charity and Richard Crane, Carmel Valley and Jeanne Brehmer, Carmel.

Stefan Venuti Rock, son, born to Robin Venuti and Joseph Rock, 5/22, Pacific Grove.

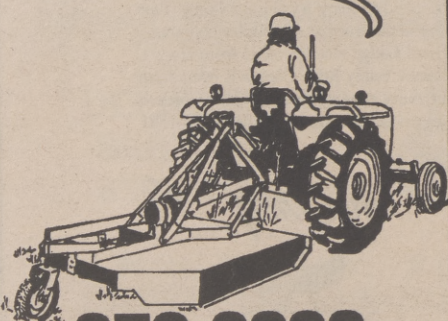
David Michael, son, born to Kimberly K. and Mark A. Seefeldt, 5/28, Big Sur.

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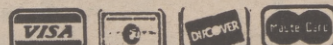
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THE GENERAL STORE/FORGE IN THE FOREST, above, won the first grand prize ever awarded in the eight years since the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club and the Carmel Business Association has co-sponsored the Carmel Beautification contest. Mayor Ken White, upper right, received an award from Jinny Atkinson, club president, for the city gardens and landscaping which she said "never looked better." Marian Leidig, at 79 does a lot of the gardening at Plaza San Carlos, below, which won first prize for Parkway-Streetside Plantings.

Sun photos by Carol Davis and Isabelle Hall



Dennis the Menace Film in Benefit Screening

A new movie, "Dennis the Menace," featuring Walter Matthau and 6-year-old Mason Gamble, will be shown at Galaxy Six Cinema at Del Monte Shopping Center June 24 as part of a fundraising benefit.

The screening will be preceded by a party in Monterey's Dennis the Menace Park from 5 to 7 p.m. featuring clowns, music, food, souvenir items and a chance to greet Dennis' creator, cartoonist Hank Ketcham.

Tickets to the benefit screening and party are \$35 each, with proceeds benefitting

Chartwell School, All Saints' Day School, the Boys and Girls Club of the Monterey Peninsula and the Monterey County Film Commission. The film opens nationwide June 25. Its writer/producer is John Hughes, creator of "Home Alone."

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Forge Wins Garden Contest's First Grand Prize; City Is Also Praised

The General Store/Forge in the Forest won the first annual grand prize awarded by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club in its eighth year of holding the Carmel Beautification Contest.

President Jinny Atkinson said the restaurant owned by Dan Glosser won for having taken "a very visible and not very attractive corner and magically turned it into one of the most beautiful and eye-catching corners in town." The restaurant at the corner of Junipero and Fifth Avenue also won first place for perimeter planting.

The club, a member of the Garden Club of America, presented its awards June 3 at the monthly meeting of the Carmel Business Association which jointly sponsors the contest.

Atkinson also announced a special ward this year to the City of Carmel which she said "has never looked better." She praised the "crew of workers who have planted new pocket parks, while continually replacing and maintaining the plantings" throughout the rest of the city. Mayor Ken White and Head Gardener Denise Henry received the award.

Winners received framed copies of their awards with artwork by Ann Walbert from Ed Broderick of Tony's Frame Shop.

Winners in five categories were:
Large Area Landscaping: Mission Ranch,

first; La Playa, second; Church of the Wayfarer, third; Carmel Plaza, honorable mention.

Large Courtyard: Sundial Lodge, first; Lincoln Green Inn, second; Pine Inn, third; Cobblestone Inn, honorable mention.

Small Courtyard: Garden Court Inn, first; Sandpiper Inn, second; Vagabond House Inn, third.

Patio: Le Bistro, first; Lugo's Shell-by-the-Sea, second; Devonshire English Gardens, third; El Paseo Courtyard, honorable mention.

Perimeter Planting: The General Store/Forge in the Forest, first; Lugo's Shell-by-the-Sea, second; Devonshire English Gardens, third.

Parkway-Streetside Plantings: Plaza San Carlos, first; Bruno's Market and Deli, second; The McFarland Building, third; Nielsen Brothers, honorable mention.

Entrance-Corridor Plantings: Morgan Court, first; Carmel Professional Courtyard, second; Mission Lane, third.

Entrance Plantings: Casanova Restaurant, first; Tiger Lilly, second; Doud's Arcade/Craft Studio, third; Monte Verde Inn, honorable mention.

Window Box/Planters: Cabbages and Kings, first; Q Point of Carmel, second; Sportswise, third.

REAL ESTATE VIEWPOINT

by John Saar, Broker

The Financing Contingency

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John Saar, Broker Associate, RE/MAX, Monterey Peninsula 624-6963

FUN-IN-THE-SUN

BY DAVE LYON

Twenty-five years ago this week I was hanging out in front of Randy's market, realizing that school was almost out and thinking to myself, "hey, summer's gonna be here soon...NOW what is there to do around this place?"

Earlier this week, I was still sittin' out in front of Randy's, and I finally came up with an answer—get on down to the Youth Center!

Things are off to a splashy start at the CVCYC, featuring everyone's favorite Community Pool, now the center of social activity here in Paradise Valley.

The pool summer schedule begins June 14! Family swim passes are still on sale, to Youth Center members only, for the unbelievably reasonable post-spring price of only \$200, and for the other 27 of you guys who still refuse to join, 20 swim cards are available for just \$50 (also available to members for \$30!)

The Monday to Friday summer pool schedule starts at 7 a.m. with adult fitness swim until 9 a.m. Swim lessons run from 9 a.m. to noon, followed by recreational swimming (hey, lanes available for adult lap swim) lasting until 4 in the afternoon. CVA swimming and diving goes from 4 to 6 in the evenings, followed by water aerobics (Mondays and Wednesdays only) from 6 to 7 p.m., then family swim nights (Fridays only) from 7 until 9 in the evening.

On weekends, its recreational swimming for everyone, from noon until 9 p.m. on Saturdays, and noon until 7 p.m. on Sundays! And don't forget about the excellent snack bar! Everyone who hung out at

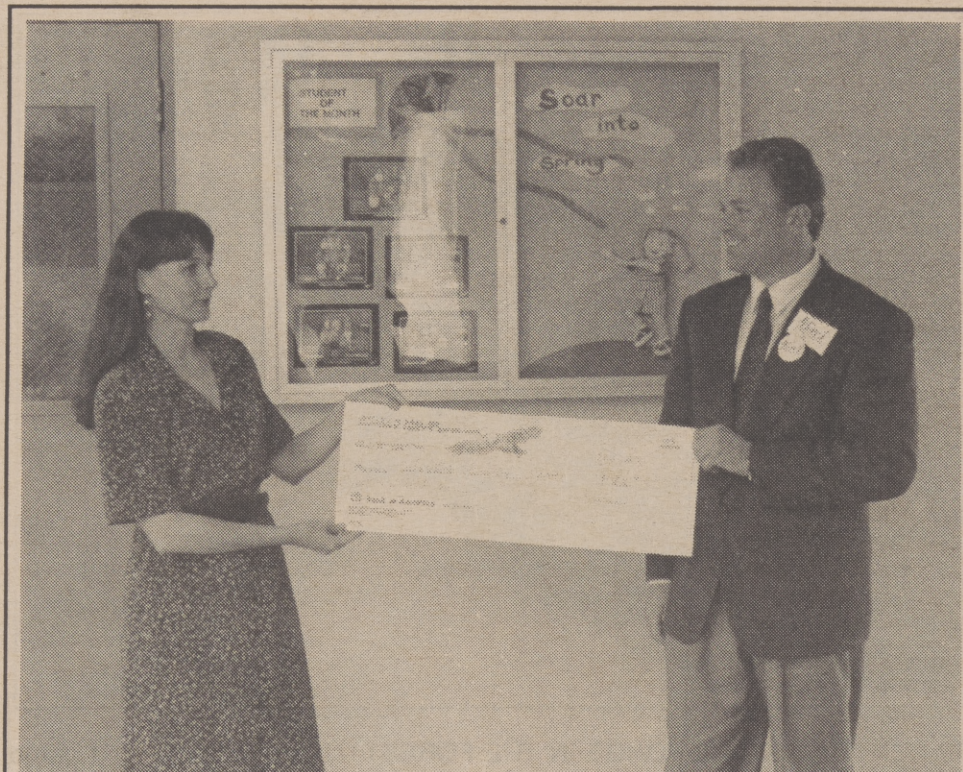
the pool last summer will remember the outstanding times enjoyed by all! Let's make it another great season in the sun! Call the Youth center at 659-3983 for info on all the exciting programs being offered at the Valley Pool.

This weekend, the Carmel Valley Historical Society presents the second annual California Cowboy Show, to be held at the Carmel Valley Community Park on Ford Road. This wonderful even begins Friday night at Hidden Valley Music Seminars with a western art show from 6 to 8 p.m. and cowboy poetry from 8 to 10 that evening. The admission is only \$10.00.

On Saturday and Sunday in the park, see collections of antique and early Californian tack, spur makers, bit makers, rawhide braiders, horse hair hitchers, boot makers and engravers. See classic California vaquero traditions preserved by the West's finest artisans. Admission to the park is free! Grounds will be open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a Saturday afternoon barbecue starting at 4 p.m. For info on this great event, or for art show/poetry tickets, contact Stew or Sandy Clough at 659-2629, or call the Youth Center office.

With school almost out, kids had better get busy makin' plans or the folks are gonna send you off to Camp Moosehead again! Check-out DAY CAMP PLUS, now taking reservations at the Community Youth Center!

DAY CAMP PLUS is an excellent program offered to all you kids in kindergarten through entering 4th grade. Don't delay, space is limited in this very popular sum-



JEFF DAVI presents a jumbo check, representing a \$200 contribution, to Principal Karin Camilli of Tularcitos School from the proceeds of a barbecue he held at Carmel Valley Community Park while campaigning for fifth district supervisor.
Sun photo by Stan Hall

mer program! DAY CAMP PLUS offers drama, dance, games, art, stories, crafts, music and swimming. Reservations can be made in person at the Youth Center office, or by mail. Call 659-3983 for info!

And if that doesn't give y'all an idea of what to do this summer, well, heck, do what we all did 25 years ago—go hang out in front of Randy's, suck PopRocks and talk about what to do when we grow up.

CASA Will Meet Tuesday

Community Against Substance Abuse will hold a community forum at the Carmel Youth Center, Fourth and Torres, Carmel on Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. The program will begin at 9 a.m. Henry Lozano, the president of Youth to Youth, a group which organizes anti-drug conferences for teenagers will speak at 10 a.m.

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Special Election Races Generally Closer than Expected

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Measure H, saying if they "had gotten away with this, they could have everything by referendum."

Brad Achundo, assistant register of voters, told the Sun that the County Elections Department did not expect to have a final tally on Measure H until Monday. "We're going to take as much time as needed," he said. "We won't sacrifice quality."

If there was a real surprise in the voting aside from the closeness of Measure H, it was Davi edging out Farina for the No. 2 spot in the fifth district. A Sun poll in advance of the election gave her a 28 to 20 percent edge behind Karas to make the runoff. But the poll did not extend to the Monterey area where Davi had strong support.

Farina was asked if she were disappointed by her third-place finish. "No, not at all. I'm very pleased with what I think was a respectable showing, especially for someone who has been here for only seven years."

Asked if she had future plans, she responded enthusiastically, "Now that deal is out of the way, I intend to do all I can to get the (dam) EIR completed and work for approval in an authorizing election." She is a member of the board of the water management district.

Making his first bid for political office, Davi, a Realtor and third generation resident, also credited the increasing efficiency of his campaign organization for his making the runoff. "If we learn as much and do as well in the next seven weeks as we did in the past seven weeks, we'll run a good race," Davi said of his Aug. 3 showdown

against Karas.

For his part, Karas said he saw his showing as "an affirmation of the work we've done over the years."

He noted that he "was just a few thousand votes short" of avoiding a runoff. To be elected without a runoff, a candidate would have had to win 50 percent plus one vote.

Asked how he felt about a race between a newcomer and old veteran, Karas laughed and said, "This old vet still has some life in him."

A two-term incumbent in the fourth district who was thrown into the fifth district by remapping following the 1990 census, Karas said he was going to celebrate his primary win by joining his wife in England for a 10-day vacation.

Mayor Ken White of Carmel, noting that both runoff candidates for supervisor are from Monterey, said, "I'm disappointed we don't have some representation from our side of the hill. I definitely support Karas now. You just can't get by his experience..."

But Davi told the Sun he thought his campaign message was effective, emphasizing the issues of the economy, water problems and the county budget. He also credited the hard work of his volunteers.

"We worked until 7:59 last night," he said, a reference to the 8 p.m. poll closing.

Voter turnout in the county was 40.6 percent, exactly what Registrar Brad Clark had predicted. The heated Measure H campaign attracted 54.9 percent of Carmel's registered voters, while 45.1 of those registered to vote in the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District cast ballots.

In the 17th Congressional District, the turnout was 36 percent, the Secretary of State's office reported. In Santa Cruz County, Farr whipped McCampbell 19,241 to 11,372.

McCampbell, saying he hadn't given any thought to his political future after losing to Farr, agreed he fared poorly in Santa Cruz County. "The difference there was around 8,000 votes," he said, "and I think I lost by about 9,000 votes overall."

Farr's win will leave his assembly seat vacant. It will be filled with a special election Sept. 14, with a runoff in the general election Nov. 2 if required.

In the heavily Democratic District, Farr always had been considered the heavy favorite. He garnered 26 percent of all the votes cast in the April 13 primary, while McCampbell won 13 percent.

But McCampbell's strategy of trying to make President Clinton an issue in the race seemed to be successful to some degree. With the President's popularity sliding, McCampbell launched a last-minute advertising campaign asking voters to send him a message by sending McCampbell to replace Panetta, who represented the Central Coast for 16 years before resigning to join the new administration.

Final, unofficial returns in the fifth supervisorial race showed:

	Total	Pct.
Karas	8,515	37.8
Davi	5,051	22.4
Farina	4,593	20.4
David Hendrick	2,220	9.8
Harrison Williams	1,347	5.9
Noel Mapstead	747	3.3

Residents in New District Angered When Denied Ballots

Some voters who live between Tierra Grande and Los Laureles Grade became upset Tuesday when they went to the First Baptist Church on Schulte Road in Carmel Valley to vote only to be told they no longer reside in the fifth district.

About 246 registered voters in that area were moved into District 2 under a re-districting map imposed by a federal judge last March.

Brad Clark, county registrar of voters, reported he heard some people became irate when told they were not eligible to vote. He said, however, that residents in that area which formerly was in the fifth district had been sent three separate notices, including an absentee ballot because they were in a precinct having fewer than 250 registered voters.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman's office said it also received a few calls from irate would-be voters.

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(s)J. Michael Pierce
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Thomas T. Lawler, Pres.
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(s)Drought Resistant Wholesale Nursery, Inc.
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(s)Mark H. Guthrie
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(s)Lee Morrison
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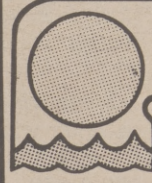


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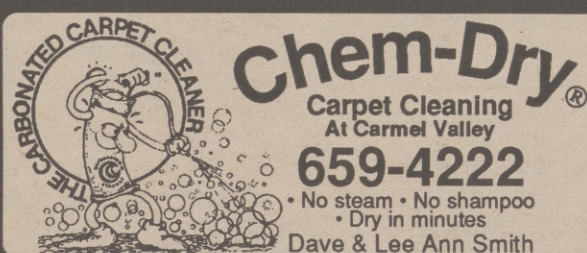
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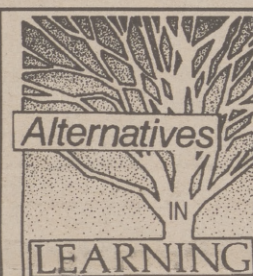
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Board Okays Design of \$12 Million in CV Road Improvements

By Carolyn Rice

County supervisors gave the go ahead for the design of \$12 million in improvements on Carmel Valley Road Tuesday, but had no answers on how they planned to pay for them.

Supervisors voted unanimously to order the Public Works staff to start working on the design of these improvements on the stretch of road from Via Petra to Robinson Canyon Road:

- o A two-way left turn lane for 4.4 miles from Via Petra to Berwick.
- o Addition of a second westbound lane from Rancho San Carlos to Via Petra.
- o Passing lanes for eastbound and westbound traffic from just east of Rancho San Carlos to Brookdale and from just east of Carmel Valley Manor to Loma del Rey.
- o Sight distance improvements at Tierra Grande and an eastbound deceleration area at Dorris Drive.

Paola Berthoin, a Carmel Valley resident, said the four mile area the county calls "side-by-side passing lanes" is actually a four lane highway. She asked for the project to be scaled back to the three-lane road which supervisors talked about some months ago.

"Two plus two is four," said another protestor to the plan, Darby Worth. "Enough is enough. Please do not put in four lanes," the Carmel Valley resident said. "There are communities all over the state which say 'no more development.'"

Contacted by the *Sun*, Public Works Director Gerry Gromko said the two additional lanes are "absolutely not passing lanes. They are a safe haven for left turns," he said.

Fran Farina said even the citizens committee appointed by Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman nine months ago to work with the Public Works Department to plan road improvements continues to debate the four-lane section. "Is it too long?" asked the unsuccessful candidate for supervisor in Tuesday's special election.

Last August, the supervisors adopted developers fees to help pay for highway improvements. They were set at \$13,800 for a new lot of record in Carmel Valley and \$6,900 in Cachagua and Rancho San Carlos. Fees to build on existing lots of record are \$5,100 in Carmel Valley and \$2,550 in the adjacent areas.

Supervisors put a hold on design of long-term improvements for all of Carmel Valley Road which would cost \$32.9 million and include pedestrian overcrossings at All Saints' School and Carmelo. Long-term improvements also include a Carmel Valley Road underpass at the entrance to Rancho Canada Golf Course. Rio Road which goes past the Crossroads Shopping Center also would be extended to connect with a short road which now leads into the golf course, said George Devine, a public works department engineer.

Gromko suggested financing for improvements should be based on tourists paying 13 percent of the cost, current residents 22 percent and new development 65 percent. The amounts breakdown to \$4.3 million for tourists, \$7.1 million for residents and \$21.5 million for new development.

He said how funding would be raised still has to be decided but some possibilities include a county gas tax, creation of a benefit assessment district, increased transit occupancy taxes and development fees. "I'm very optimistic based on the board's action that we are now proceeding towards a solution," he told the *Sun*.

Brian Finegan, an attorney for Rancho San Carlos, said Tom Gray, Rancho San Carlos general manager, wanted the county to go ahead and design road improvements. But Gray asked for a study by an independent outside consultant into what percentage of traffic is generated by local residents, Finegan said.

A consensus has not been reached by the citizens committee on financing, particu-

larly what percentage existing development would be required to pay, Finegan said.

The citizens committee was composed of a diverse membership from environmentalists to developers, and Strasser Kauffman, who was so hoarse she could hardly speak, thanked two of the members, Alan Williams and Farina, for the many hours they devoted to the project.

Alexander Henson, a Carmel Valley resident and lawyer who said he represented the Carmel Valley Road Improvement Action Committee, said, "What is being proposed here is a Rolls Royce, and we simply cannot afford it. There's no way the community can afford \$32 million in improvements."

Tony Lombardo, an attorney who said he represented several Carmel Valley clients, said, "Unfortunately there will have to be some increase in the developers' fee to cover these costs."

Supervisor Judy Pennycook said she was concerned the burden of safety for the road was going to be placed on developers rather than existing residents.

Gromko reminded supervisors they were just being asked to approve the project design not financing for it.

Peter Salmons, Carmel Valley Property Owners Association land use committee chairman, said the safety improvements on the road will not solve the Level of Service (LOS) problems which caused a so-called trigger mechanism in the Carmel Valley Master Plan to be activated.

Strasser Kauffman noted the whole issue had come about because the traffic trigger was exceeded on two segments of the road. "I need to remind the board we have a traffic trigger out there. The alternate to acting to is call an entire halt to any community activity," she said.

"We're not ever going to have a 100 percent consensus on where the road should be widened," she predicted. "We need a general community consensus and then to move ahead." The developer fees for traffic will

have to be redone, she said.

Supervisor Sam Karas asked if the board should wait to act on the issue after new supervisors were elected so they could be brought up to speed on the subject. Karas said he had taken part in five political forums and, "I can assure you that some do not know what the county budget is. Do they know the Carmel Valley Master Plan?"

Supervisor Tom Perkins noted the supervisors were just voting on a concept. "Will there be public hearings on the design?" he asked Gromko.

"Absolutely," Gromko replied.

The Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA) submitted a statement urging that the issue be postponed until after an Aug. 3 runoff for a new fifth district supervisor.

The \$12 million cost for improvements to segments six and seven where the traffic trigger has been pulled "is doable," Gromko said.

Strasser Kauffman questioned Gromko why the long-term design included two pedestrian overpasses. He told her the overpasses were in an Environmental Impact Report done on the road in 1991. She replied she never remembered the board voting on the pedestrian overpasses.

Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck directed the clerk of the board to review the records to see what supervisors had approved last August so that it could be made clear to the board whether the pedestrian overpasses had been approved or not.

The Carmel Valley Master Plan calls for Carmel Valley Road to be widened to four lanes between Via Petra to Robinson Canyon when it reaches design capacity, but a consensus seems to be developing in favor of less extensive expansion. Both segments six and seven of the road which reached the trigger level are within this section of the road.

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